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An Open Letter

Mount Vernon, Iowa
May 5, 1953

TO THE OFFICERS AND MEMBERS OF THE WOMAN'S SOCIETY OF CHRISTIAN SERVICE

DEAR FRIENDS:

About a month ago the Woman's Division of Christian Service learned that, because of unforeseen industrial conditions and developments, it will be impossible to hold the 1954 *Assembly* of the Woman's Society of Christian Service in Denver. You can imagine our feeling of helplessness and disappointment.

This open letter is to tell you that our Wisconsin Conference Woman's Society of Christian Service has graciously invited the *Assembly* to come to Milwaukee, Wisconsin. The dates are May 25-28, 1954. The Wesleyan Service Guild Weekend will be held May 28-30.

As the *Assembly* Committee began all over again to make plans, a real feeling of calm and confidence came over us and we were conscious of God's leading and guidance. We had realized from the beginning that there were complications concerning Denver, eager as we were to go and appreciative as we were of the desire of the Colorado Conference to have us. We all believe that Milwaukee will be a wonderful place to hold the *Assembly.*

Milwaukee is seventy-five minutes from Chicago. It can be reached easily by train, bus, or car. The city has an excellent auditorium which lends itself perfectly to the plans we are making for the *Assembly.*

You are acquainted with the by-law concerning the voting members of the *Assembly* (Article 3, section 1, of the by-laws of the *Assembly;* page 283 of the *Thirteenth Annual Report of the Woman's Division of Christian Service*). Delegates have or will be elected.

Visitors are more than welcome at the *Assembly.* The auditorium holds 13,000 and there will be no difficulty in the matter of seating. In due time, information concerning registration, hotels, and other necessary details will be published in THE METHODIST WOMAN and WORLD OUTLOOK. The official call will be printed in the September issues of these magazines.

Some of you will remember that one of the highlights of the last *Assembly* was the presence of young people. Because of the emphasis on youth during this quadrennium, we hope each conference will send a young woman to the *Assembly.*

It gives me great joy to tell you that a theme for the *Assembly* has been chosen: Jesus Christ—the Way. Together we shall work during the months ahead to make that theme an even greater reality to the women in our jurisdictions, conferences, districts, and Woman's Societies in the local churches.

Sincerely yours,

Mrs. Frank G. Brooks

President, Woman's Division of Christian Service

A Conference Worth Holding

By WILLIAM WATKINS REID

There has been a growing demand for information about the missionary program of the Woman's Division of Christian Service. The need was voiced by many women in various parts of the country. Action was taken at the March, 1952, Executive Committee meeting to hold a Conference on Missions in 1953, and a committee was appointed to work out the plans. Pictured here are members of the Planning Committee:

Seated, first row, left to right:
Miss Louise Robinson, Miss Henrietta Gibson, Miss Mary Lou Barnwell, secretary, Mrs. Alan K. Laing, chairman, Mrs. Frank G. Brooks, Miss Dorothy McConnell.

Second row, left to right:
Mrs. John M. Pearson, Mrs. Charles E. Wegner, Miss Grace Gatewood, Miss Elizabeth Stinson, Mrs. C. A. Meeker, Mrs. H. C. Leonard, Mrs. J. N. Rodeheaver.

Not in picture: Miss Dorcas Hall, Miss Thelma Stevens.

IF THE pagan forces that are bidding for men's allegiance today—communism, secularism, other isms—are not to gain mastery and destroy Christianity —then the Christian Church must purge itself of unchristian attitudes and acts, must be fearless in opposing oppression, must be tireless in meeting mankind's physical and spiritual needs, and must bear witness to the *Message* by its life and service.

If the church is to win the world for its Christ, it cannot be content with lofty ideals spoken at great international gatherings of churchmen. It must translate these ideals into action—community and grassroots action—by individuals in every local church and local community.

If the women of Methodism are to make their witness and contribution toward a better tomorrow, then *the members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service in every local church* must lift their eyes and hearts and extend their serving hands, through and beyond the local scene, out to needy millions across America and the entire world.

These are some of the conclusions to which one was driven by the addresses, messages, and reports made to 248 leaders at the conference on missions held at The Inn, Buck Hill Falls, Pennsylvania, April 19-23.

Mrs. Frank G. Brooks, president of the Woman's Division, set the background for conference thinking in her opening address:

A conference worth holding grows out of the lives of the people who take part in it. It serves some need in their lives and in the life of the organization holding the meeting. . . .

The Christian movement faces the rising power of communism, strained relations between the East and West, the poverty and the ignorance of countless numbers of people in Asia and Africa. Old patterns are no longer adequate for our day. . . .

Materialistic ideologies and secular agencies are seeking to alleviate suffering, but they leave Christ out. We, in the Woman's Division, must have types of outreach that *keep Christ in*: programs that meet village needs, literacy needs, family life needs, child welfare needs, public health needs. We already have these types of mission service; we want you to know what we are doing and plan to do. And we want the women in the Woman's Societies to know of this new and very real type of evangelism—an evangelism which is part of life; an evangelism which is an integral part of our Christian outreach.

The Quest for Freedom

Three speakers at the opening hours of the conference drew graphic pictures of the quest for freedom which men, in one manner or another, are waging in almost every part of the world. This, they agreed, is the revolutionary movement in the midst of which the

Seated, first row, left to right:
Mrs. M. J. Daves, Texas Conference; Mrs. Andrew Larson, Kansas Conference; Mrs. Marvin Boyd, Northwest Texas Conference; Mrs. Harvey L. Livingston, Southern California-Arizona Conference; Mrs. H. E. Dees, Indiana Conference; Mrs. George N. Latimer, South Georgia Conference; Mrs. Henry H. White, New Jersey Conference.

Second row, standing, left to right:
Mrs. Raymond Allison, West Oklahoma Conference; Mrs. Edward Boyce, Erie Conference; Mrs. J. Byron Benson, Oregon Conference; Mrs. Ralph P. Sherrill, North Carolina Conference; Mrs. J. R. Helms, Alabama Conference; Mrs. David J. Wight, Michigan Conference; Mrs. Matthew D. Smith, Dakota Conference; Mrs. Henry Wonders, Jr., Peninsula Conference.

Christian faith must be projected. Men will secure that freedom, either within the message and the practice of Christianity, or they will turn to some *ism* as an avenue of it. One of these speakers was Dr. M. Searle Bates, former missionary in Nanking, China, now on the faculty of Union Theological Seminary, New York; another, Dr. Z. K. Matthews, a leader of the National African Assembly, and a professor at South Africa College, Fort Hare, Union of South Africa; and the third, President M. S. Davage, of Huston-Tillotson College, Texas.

America on the Move

More than half the people who live in America's cities are outside the membership of the churches and synagogues, and are untouched and unreached by any religious message, Dr. Kenneth D. Miller, executive secretary of the New York City Mission Society, told the conference. This lack of tie to churches and the rapid shifting of families from city to city appears to be the major problem with which the religious forces in America must cope today. This concern was voiced also by Dr. Frederick A. Shippey, research director of the Division of National Missions. (Sections of his address had implications for our women's work, and will be reported later. *Editor.*)

Addresses by Dr. Ranson

In four penetrating addresses, the Rev. Dr. Charles W. Ranson, executive secretary of the International Missionary Council, presented the theological and philosophical aspects of the Christian mission to the world, and brought to the conference some of the thinking of recent international religious bodies. He spoke especially of the interrelation of "church" and "mission," and for the need not only of cooperation but of unity among the Christian forces.

An antidote to the sort of panic we are experiencing is not to withdraw into parochialism, but to put the contemporary job into the broad sweep of history. Then we will learn that no temporary turbulence can overthrow God's sovereign purpose. . . .

There is no situation that cannot be seen as a missionary situation and as a missionary opportunity. . . . We haven't begun to scratch the missionary task even in the realm of numbers. The growth of the non-Christian population is outstripping the growth of the Christian church. The task can be fulfilled only by the fidelity of men and women who have heard the call to mission and to a renewal of their Christian purpose. . . .

A danger is that the fear that is everywhere in the world may cause this generation to lose the kind of spirit that makes one do what no one else wants to do, and go where no one else wants to go.

To give each delegate a chance to discuss the problems raised by speakers at the general sessions, the conference was divided into four workshops, each holding five sessions. "How can we get these messages and concerns to each member of each local Woman's Society?" was the theme of most discussions.

Pictured is Mrs. G. W. Dameron, Pineville, Louisiana, and her group. Other workshop leaders were Mrs. H. F. Brandt, Cleveland, Ohio; Mrs. Cecil P. Hardin, Knoxville, Tennessee; Mrs. W. H. McCallum, Chicago, Illinois.

What Methodist Women Are Doing

Through reports from the executive secretaries of both the Department of Work in Home Fields and of the Department of Work in Foreign Fields of the Woman's Division of Christian Service and in word-pictures presented by missionaries and deaconesses from the foreign fields and from home institutions, the conference viewed a vast and living panorama of what the women of The Methodist Church are now doing. But secretaries and missionaries also emphasized the need for more trained workers to meet the calls that came from every section to "Come over and help us." The foreign secretaries presented such facts as these, as summarized by Mrs. Brooks:

In the next four years, 34 per cent of our present missionary force will be lost by retirement and completion of term. The results of the Laubach Campaign are all but *nil* in many parts of Africa because of the scarcity of missionary leaders. In Latin America, we have a fine lot of physical plants—sufficient buildings—but some of them will have to be closed unless we get more workers. Previously, we have had nine missionaries on the faculty at Isabella Thoburn College; this year we shall have four. Bishop Liu of Korea says that they need workers so badly they could use even blind people.

At this writing there are places open for at least one hundred young women as missionaries and deaconesses under The Methodist Church—at home, in the American territories, and overseas—in many types of service: nursing, teaching, evangelistic, editorial, social welfare, recreation. One of the emphases of the next few years will be to enlist young women for service *through the local Woman's Society of Christian Service.*

The role of the missionary was interpreted by the staff of the Joint Committee on Missionary Personnel and some of the workers. (This will be highlighted in a later issue. *Editor.*)

Widening the Fellowship

There was recognition, too, that the Woman's Division does not stand alone in service. Dr. Miller, Dr. Shippey, and Dr. Earl R. Brown of the Division of National Missions, and Executive Secretaries Miss Muriel Day and Miss Lucile Colony for the Woman's Division told of cooperation through the divisions of the National Council of the Churches of Christ in the U. S. A., and through National Christian Councils overseas; and of growing cooperation among the major denominations in church extension, theological education, and service to needy areas of America

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The World's Student Christian Federation Conferences

By DR. HIEL BOLLINGER

Robert Mackie of Scotland and Geneva, Switzerland, associate general secretary of the World Council of Churches, formerly general secretary of the World's Student Christian Federation and 1949-1953 chairman of the Federation, with Dr. Ruth Wick at coffee time. Dr. Wick is general secretary of the United Student Christian Council, which brings together in ecumenical activity and world relationship the thirteen major student movements of the United States.

THE World's Student Christian Federation has an administrative body—a General Committee which meets once every three years. It met January 9-21 at the Spiritual Life Center in Nasrapur, India. Whenever the General Committee meets in a given country, it also holds a conference with the students of that country. This was held at Madras Christian College in Tambaran, near Madras, December 29, 1952-January 5, 1953. What follows constitutes a report of these two meetings.

Perhaps a further word about the making of the conferences is appropriate. Christian students from thirty-six nations were in the Tambaran Conference; sixty students from India, Pakistan, and Ceylon; a total of about 160. The Federation actively operates in twenty-two nations, has corresponding developments in twelve nations, and is pioneering in ten other countries. Representatives were present from these nations and most of the countries had one staff person and one or more students. The only ones not represented were "iron curtain countries." The United States delegation had twelve students and five national staff persons and represented different churches. The Methodist Student Movement had one staff person, Roger Ortmayer, editor of *motive*, one person representing students and faculty, Keith Irwin of Hamline University, and the writer. Other Methodists were present including Nancy Simons of Ohio Wesleyan, national student chairman of the YWCA.

The first and outstanding characteristic of the World's Student Christian Federation is that it is ecumenical. It brings together on an international basis the Christian college students of different communions. This means practically all the branches of Protestantism and the Orthodox Church. This in itself is very significant and causes a student to examine his own relationship to the church and why he is a Lutheran, Episcopalian, Methodist, or whatever communion it may be.

Because of this ecumenical nature, the Federation also has a distinct relationship to the Church. It seeks to have students in different nations develop a sound theological base for churchmanship. This becomes especially significant in church student movements that are a phenomenon of student Christian work today.

Since the student conferences met in Asia where the church carries on a great deal of missionary work, the whole missionary enterprise was thoroughly discussed. Countries like India, Indonesia, Burma, and Lebanon that have recently become new nations now desire their own churches in their own way. This does not mean that they do not want missions, for they do very definitely and speak in most appreciative terms of the great work the missionaries are doing. What is required are new ways of doing missionary work and new ways of causing people of the new nations to accept larger responsibility for the work of the church. There is tremendous need for medical services, teachers, technicians, and specialists.

There is a deep spiritual tone in the work of the World's Student Christian Federation. At each conference, the tendency is to re-

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A Call to the World Methodist Convocation

By THE COUNCIL OF BISHOPS

JOHN WESLEY was born June 17, 1703, in a rude parsonage at Epworth, England, and passed to his eternal home from City Road Chapel, London, March 2, 1791. He was in many ways the most vital, the most interesting, and most influential figure in that century. The old view, that saw in Mr. Wesley only the Founder of Methodism, has now given way to the world-view which ranks him with the most influential religious leaders of all time. He belongs in the grand succession of St. Paul, Augustine, and Luther. Born in an age of materialism characterized by dim hopes and expiring ideals, this man, who found no place inaccessible and no individual unattractive, shuttled back and forth over the lanes and turnpikes of England for a half-century as the leader of a spiritual revolution which has swept the world and has not yet spent its force.

June 26-28, 1953, the people called Methodists will gather by the multiplied thousands in the city of Philadelphia to celebrate the birth of John Wesley, and to rejoice in the spiritual heritage which he bequeathed to them. At the time of Mr. Wesley's death there were only 71,000 Methodists in Great Britain and 48,000 in this new world. Today, the Methodist family numbers many millions and are to be found in sixty-three of the nations of the earth. Were Mr. Wesley alive to look upon this world-church, he would no doubt preach again as he did when the foundation of the first chapel was laid in London—"What Hath God Wrought?"

When we survey the record of Methodism across two hundred years, we have every reason to rejoice. In order to transmit to a distraught world and the coming generations the Gospel which has seen such splendid triumphs, we have kept faith with our fathers, with our children, and above all we have sought to keep faith with Christ.

We have told men that while they inherit the infirmities and sins of the race, they also inherit the salvation which Christ offers all mankind; that they live not in a lost world, but in a redeemed world, and that when man accepts his true relation to Christ, he lives under a new heaven and on a new earth.

The one fact that sent Methodists early to the open fields and eventually to the ends of the earth with infectious joy, was that God in Christ had come to the rescue of sinning humanity. They witnessed everywhere because they knew Christ as the Saviour from sin, the Creator of new character, and the Guarantor of everlasting life. Their main emphasis was upon the fact that God had heard the cry of broken humanity and had sent, in the person of His Son, a divine Saviour to deliver mankind. They never dismissed it, nor obscured it by any naturalistic interpretation. They declared it in creed, experienced it in life, and expressed it in a glad and intense evangelism. With warm hearts and eager spirits they went everywhere to bring men into a saving knowledge of the truth as it is in Christ Jesus.

The normal mood of Methodism is the evangelistic mood. The stirring story of our advance across this continent and of the establishment of younger churches around the world is the story of a resistless evangelism. God raised us up to be Christians in earnest, and no church can forget its original mission and have bright prospects. From the very beginning we went everywhere proclaiming the story of the transforming cross, the empty tomb, and the risen and glorified Lord.

We are witnessing a general turning of the masses to an interest in the things of the spirit. The facts of spiritual life have come into the common speech of man. Writers no longer hesitate to discuss religion. In fact, one of the great gains out of the stress and anxiety of these tempestuous times is the recovery of the consciousness of God and a sense of responsibility to Him. The time seems ripe for the church to interpret Christ to the inquiring mind and seeking heart of our time. But in order to lead in this revival of spiritual religion, we must have an unquenchable faith in the reality of the gospel we proclaim, and a keen awareness of the infinite importance of the things that make for righteousness.

The urgency of soul which characterized our fathers must possess us. Soft sayings about virtue, the evolution of the race, and the inherent goodness of mankind will not produce the evangelism the world sorely needs. We must speak again of the ghastly reality of sin, of the atonement of Christ, of justification by faith, of the eternal profit of goodness, and of the everlasting loss to those who will not have Christ. We will not help groping humanity to find the way by underestimating the need of man for redemption, or failing to declare that the Cross of Christ with all it typifies is something more than an example of how a good man should bear pain. Our generation must be brought to see that sin is the gulf which separates man from God and that Christ, by dying on the Cross, did something for man which he could not do for himself.

It is very well that this host of Methodists from many nations should come together in Philadelphia to survey the past, and to promote a movement to keep Methodism "a place where those who march with God can find their point of rallying."

Study Class Projects for 1953-54

Spanish-Speaking Americans in the U. S. A.

U.S.-2's at George O. Robinson School, Puerto Rico *(left to right)*: Marjorie Olsen, Dorothy Watson, Lester McGonagle, Irene Jeffress, Virginia Curtis

George O. Robinson School, Santurce, Puerto Rico

George O. Robinson School is experiencing its fifty-first year of service on the Island of Puerto Rico. It started as an orphanage in 1902 and through the years has grown from a family of six to an enrollment of 325. In this group there are 225 Puerto Rican children and 70 Continentals from the United States, ranging in age from five to eighteen years. Practically all trades and occupations are represented by the parents. Both boys and girls are in all the grades except the 11th and 12th. In 1953-54, boys will be included in grade 11, and in grade 12 the following year.

The faculty consists of sixteen Continental teachers and six Puerto Rican teachers. Five U.S.-2's joined the staff in September. The present staff includes six deaconesses and a home missionary. The Puerto Rican teachers secured their training in the United States, at Polytechnic Institute, San Germán, or at the University of Puerto Rico.

The children come from various religious backgrounds. Seventy-five per cent of the present enrollment claim preference for the Protestant faith, 25 per cent for the Catholic faith. Bible study is required in all grades. Devotions are held daily in each classroom and chapel services each Friday. There is also an active Methodist Youth Fellowship.

The twenty-three day schools and kindergartens, which are supervised by the staff of George O. Robinson School, have an enrollment of over 700 children. A clinic, including a milk station, is also sponsored on the Island of Vieques. Twenty-two teachers and a nurse are employed in these projects.

Four of the graduates of George O. Robinson School deserve special mention: Esther Ferrera Nuñez is now teaching in her twenty-sixth year at Robinson School; Luz Maria Rodriguez has taught first grade at the San Juan Moderno School for the past twelve years; Luz Maria Trossi is now on the teaching staff at Robinson School; and Sara Bentz Williams, wife of the Rev. Jerry Williams, has just returned with her husband for a furlough after their first five-year term as missionaries to Peru.

Play Club for pre-school Puerto Rican children, Grace Methodist Church, New York, N. Y.

Work Among the Puerto Ricans in New York City

As he played in the tropical sun by the back door of his home in Puerto Rico, Humberto Rivera heard his mother and father talk about New York City. He was aware of the excitement aroused by the letter from Uncle Carlos telling about the abundance of work in that faraway land. Then one day his father sold the three-acre farm, the cow, and the pig. The $400.00 from the sale was just about enough travel fare for Humberto, his parents, and his four brothers and sisters. They took a bus to San Juan, purchased clothes for the trip, and boarded a plane. Eight hours later they were in the city of hope and opportunity.

Things were not easy for the Riveras at first. Uncle Carlos' apartment was crowded with his own seven children. Humberto was not sure he liked New York. In Puerto Rico he had played in the fields and had grass and sunshine. In New York he had to go down six floors to reach the dirty, crowded pavement. Every day he sat on the steps watching the people come and go in a hurry.

Then one day, being very lonely, Humberto followed a little boy his age down the street. The boy went inside the church and Humberto looked through the windows. The nursery teacher noticed him and invited him in. Through the nursery, Humberto is making new friends, finding a new safe place to play, and learning a new language . . . English. And through the director of the nursery, Humberto's parents have found employment.

There are many children like Humberto in New York City. Already there are well over a quarter of a million Puerto Ricans here, and the number is growing at the rate of sixty thousand a year. The Woman's Society of Christian Service is helping to meet the problems of these families through its welfare program and nursery work.

Freeman Clinic and Newark Hospital, El Paso, Texas

The medical work known as Freeman Clinic and Newark Hospital began in an adobe hut in 1921 with a clinic. Several years later

Freeman Clinic and Newark Hospital minister to many such little ones

a few rooms were added for maternity patients. In 1937, the twenty-two-bed hospital was built and dedicated. A new kitchen and elevator were added in 1951 to this growing institution which serves peoples of all nationalities and background. The program is founded on health teaching purposes, and a nurse has a personal conference with each patient admitted to the hospital. After the patient is admitted to the clinic, a home visit is made by the nurse.

In the Pre-natal Clinic, the nurse teaches classes on nutrition, formula, technique, and child care while the mother waits for the doctor. Once a week a teacher from the Board of Education teaches the mothers cooking, sewing, and how to budget. Films on child care and development are shown. The Rooming-In plan for mothers and babies has been instituted at Newark Hospital. It is heartwarming to see how content a baby is when he is cared for by his mother thirty-six hours after he has been born.

These children ultimately become members of the Children's Guild which, through the efforts of the mothers, makes contributions to the clinic and hospital.

Rose Gregory Houchen Settlement, El Paso, Texas

That crusading Bishop, Wilbur F. Mallalieu, told Methodist women in 1888 that they must possess the southwest for Protestantism. Soon after, three missionaries were working in that part of the country. In 1893, Miss Mary Tripp arrived in El Paso, a city of over 100,000 with approximately 50 per cent of the population Mexican. Miss Tripp immediately began working among Mexican girls, but it was not until 1912 that the settlement house was erected.

In 1949 the Houchen building was renovated to take care of more classroom space, as well as to house the growing staffs of the Freeman Clinic and Newark Hospital, the Day Nursery, and the Settlement itself.

All types of interest groups for boys and girls of all ages are included in the program. Boy and Girl Scout troops are a vital part of the lives of these boys and girls. But they do not neglect the library, the story hours, the sewing and handcraft classes, or the well-equipped playground.

Bible study, Citizenship, and English classes satisfy the needs of the adults. Many are eager to know more about the Bible and its teachings. And there are always those who are interested in becoming American citizens, but in order to do so they must learn to read and write in the English language.

People of any faith find a welcome at Houchen Settlement. The settlement works hand in hand with El Buen Pastor Mexican Methodist Church. Everyone is invited to become a part of the whole fellowship.

Harwood Girls' School, Albuquerque, New Mexico

Harwood Girls' School is proud of its sixty-five years of service. Women who once were students are continually being discovered. Girls enroll at Harwood because of the death of parents and broken homes; because ranches are so isolated; because small, isolated communities still offer a very meager grade-school education. And asthmatics come from faraway states because of the climate. Harwood Girls' School is a state accredited school. Students transfer to any public school or to any college.

There is more than ordinary opportunity for gracious living and preparation for home life at Harwood School, including sewing, cooking, and music, as well as preparation for the professions. Harwood is a laboratory in Christian living. Bible study is required throughout the school.

Girls from Harwood go into all the channels of service which challenge young Christian women today.

Harwood Girls

Senior

First-grader

Negro

Indian

Mexican

Neighborhood House, Calexico, California

In 1937, a deaconess was sent to Calexico to help the Latin-American Provisional Conference in the work of their Calexico-Mexicali circuit, a difficult and time-consuming task for the pastor. The town of Calexico appreciated what was being done in limited space by this worker, and gave a building site and playground. The house that is now the residence of the staff was moved to this site. It has been most interesting to watch the neighborhood grow in its appreciation and use of these facilities.

Work on the international border between Mexico and the United States is full of challenge. The Port of Entry between Calexico, California, and Mexicali, Baja (lower California, Mexico), is not only a gateway for commerce and for tourists, but it is a wide-open door of opportunity for service.

In 1949, a new building was dedicated making it possible to conduct a definite settlement program with social case work as an important phase of the services rendered. However, the educational and recreational work are, perhaps, even more far-reaching in their ultimate effects. Because of the language handicap, large numbers of children are retarded in their schoolwork. Consequently, when they reach the upper grades, they tend to drop out of school. A nursery school and kindergarten for the preschool age are helping to overcome this difficulty. English classes for all ages are carried on and help to increase the ease of adjustment between the peoples of different national and language backgrounds.

Wesley House, Key West

"Say something in Spanish. I like to guess what it means." So said a little eight-year-old Anglo-American girl to her Latin-American friends. They were working busily carving a fish out of a soap bar, but found plenty of time to exchange confidences. The girls are members of the "Big and Little Club" which meets at Wesley Community House, Key West, Florida.

Wesley House stands in the midst of a Latin-American neighborhood; yet many of its members are Anglo-Saxon. Such a mixture of cultural heritage provides many interesting projects and contacts. In the kindergarten and clubs, the language always blends from Spanish to English and back to Spanish again. The kindergarten provides opportunity for many Spanish-speaking children to learn English before they enter public schools. The enrollment of Anglo-Saxon children helps make this a painless and joyous experience.

Wesley House sponsors four Girl Scout troops and two Boy Scout troops as well as cooking clubs, sewing classes, crafts clubs, and activities for adults. Expansion of the program in recent years has been made possible because of the new building which was dedicated in 1951 by the Woman's Division of Christian Service. There is now plenty of room for boys and girls to spread out as they work and play. A workshop and craftshop provide added interest and enthusiasm. Numerous families are nominally Catholic, so some of their first contacts with The Methodist Church come through participation in the clubs at Wesley House. Thus, God's love shines through these people as they play together, pray together, and seek goals in common.

Valley Institute, Pharr, Texas

Valley Institute is indeed a *valley* institution through its threefold program: community, valley, and leadership training. It is the only social center in a town having a population of over 8,000, 69 per cent of which is Latin American. One of its most important contributions is that of teaching the English language and American ways to the new citizens from across the border.

Valley Institute is a place for all age groups. There small children learn to be a part of a group; older children make friends and find recreation; young people learn skills, meet, discuss, and play with persons of their own age; adults learn to speak English—an important part of their adaptation to life in the United States.

Through the valley-wide program, the Institute staff works with the churches to strengthen their religious education emphasis through institutes and vacation church schools. For several years in a work camp, college boys and girls of different racial and nationality backgrounds from all over the country have taught in vacation church schools where they were never held before, worked with children who never attend church, assisted in institutes, and worked with the English and Spanish-speaking young people.

Valley Institute tries to train the young church workers through laboratory schools, intermediate camps, youth courses, and activity weeks.

Wesley Community House, San Antonio, Texas

There it sits, a big two-story house with doors, as arms, wide open. From the densely populated neighborhood come boys and girls, men and women. Last year there were forty-three thousand plus of them. More than fifty happy little folk have their first taste of school in the large, airy, attractive kindergarten rooms. Cubs, Brownies, and Scouts learn about a world-wide fellowship in their groups.

Well babies stay well; sick babies grow well; doctors and nurses help the sick and teach better ways of health; aching teeth are treated, filled, or pulled. All these are clinic services.

Natural talents for crafts are developed. Large groups of boys take part in athletics. Trophies won in tournaments grace the shelves. The gymnasium walls resound early and late with sounds of happy play.

Weary, discouraged people share their problems with the staff and go away with new hope. Prayer

services, led by a local ordained Methodist minister, a former Wesley House boy, is a high spot for many lives.

Holding Institute, Laredo, Texas

Close to the "Winter Garden" section in South Texas and one mile up the silvery Rio Grande from the old historic city and "Gateway to Old Mexico" is Laredo, where Holding Institute is located. The twenty-six-acre plot does not look as it did when Senor Sanchez founded Laredo in 1767 and when Miss Nannie Holding first beheld it in the spring of 1883.

The beginning was small—one little house on unimproved land, five little children, and two teachers. Three countries—the United States, Mexico, and Canada—are represented in the student body today. Students come from as far north as Chicago, as far south as Mexico City, and as far east as Alabama. Most of them, however, come from the southern part of Texas and from Mexico. More than a third of the student body comes from below the Border for the purpose of acquiring a knowledge of the English language.

Holding Institute makes a home for the boys and girls to whom it gives training from the elementary grades through high school. Some of the pupils are orphans or half-orphans, others come from broken homes, small towns where there are no high schools, and rural areas where schools are poor. Many of the graduates go to college. The college graduate from Mexico with his bilingual tongue finds many important opportunities.

Frances DePauw Home, Hollywood, California

Los Angeles has the largest Mexican population of any city in the United States. To meet the needs of Mexican girls, Mrs. Frances DePauw donated a nine-room house to the Woman's Home Missionary Society in 1900. Since that time, Mexican girls from along the border have found cultural and religious opportunities which were never known to them before. DePauw served as a school and a home for Latin-American girls until the public school met the educational needs of Spanish-speaking students. Now this project is known as Frances DePauw Home.

As a result of a recent building program made possible chiefly by Week of Prayer Funds, there are three new buildings on the campus. Girls who wish to attend junior or senior high school or junior college are most welcome here. The aim of the home is to give every type of training a girl should receive in order to develop character, skill, personality, and fitness for home and community life. There are religious education classes, chapel services, and the Methodist Youth Fellowship groups in the home, as well as formal and informal recreation. The girls attend Sunday school and church services in the churches of the community.

Wolff Settlement, Ybor City, Tampa, Florida

Wolff Settlement, a community center, is located in Tampa's largest section of Latin-American people.

There are three housing projects in the community. Two are for Latins and one for Negroes. About 50 per cent of the people own their homes.

Not more than 20 per cent of the people belong to any church. One would be inclined to think that because of Latin origin they would naturally be Roman Catholics. That is not true in this community. The major needs of these people are: a feeling of security; an integrated life, and an organized home life; and a quiet, calm, living faith in God.

Through parents' groups and mothers' clubs, as well as through children's groups, the workers at Wolff Settlement try to help these families plan a quiet, calm, unhurried, organized home life. Family nights and family camps are held. The kindergarten acts as a bridge between a bilingual home and the English-speaking school. Songs and stories serve as a quieting influence upon the children. Their inborn love of music and rhythm is satisfied by the opportunity to participate in a rhythm band. Reverence is learned as they sing softly their prayer songs. On the playground the children learn to play together and share.

Southside Community Center, San Marcos, Texas

Southside Community Center, located in a Latin-American neighborhood of San Marcos, Texas, began to serve these people more than a quarter-century ago. A new building was dedicated on January 8, 1950, as a result of the Week of Prayer and Self-Denial offerings. The deaconess in charge, Miss Mary Riddle, writes:

When we moved into the new building, many expressed their appreciation of its beautiful Spanish architecture. Others expressed their happiness that we had so much room. Others said they were grateful for a place where they could find something useful for their lives. I dreamed and prayed that the center would become a neighborhood organization that would improve the welfare of the community. I dreamed that we might bring to the Latin people compassion and understanding, kindling the lights of enduring friendships among all the people, regardless of color or of creed.

I think we are proceeding toward the realization of that dream. The other day I was working out in the yard. A young man came running up the street. I recognized him as one of the Community Center boys who had been away in the Air Force for over a year. He cried: "I just couldn't wait to come to the center to say hello. You don't know how I have missed it and all the wonderful things I used to do here." As he made these remarks, I was reminded of another boy stationed in the state of Washington who phoned to say he just had to hear my voice and ask my advice on a matter.

Robert Siamngo with volunteer helpers at Southside Community Center, San Marcos, Texas

Study Class Projects for 1953-54

The Life and Task of the Church Around the World

AFRICA

Algeria—Dispensary Equipment, Les Ouhadias
Angola—Hospital Equipment, Quessua
Belgian Congo—Dispensary Equipment, Wembo Nyama
Liberia—Hospital Equipment, Ganta
Mozambique—Dispensary Equipment, Kambini
Southern Rhodesia—Health Education, Equipment, Old Umtali

An Ounce of Prevention Is Worth a Pound of Cure. Your medical missionaries apply this old saying in their work every day. Rather than wait until people are sick and come to *them,* these doctors and nurses go to the people to teach them how to stay well. Through school health work, prenatal and well-baby clinics, thousands of children and their mothers are alive and healthy.

Picture a group of mothers, each with a bright-eyed, dark-skinned baby on her back or in her arms. They sit quietly, interestedly, while the nurse explains that disease is caused by germs and shows them by pictures and demonstrations how their precious babies can be protected. They glow with pride when the babies are weighed and found to be growing normally and are in healthy condition. The mothers gratefully accept the gifts of vitamins.

These vaccinated babies will not die of smallpox, nor will they get dysentery, because the mothers have learned to boil the water and to protect the food from flies. Their clean little bodies will not become scabby from scabies.

But if someone becomes ill? What then? The Christian hospital or dispensary is there to serve in the name and spirit of the Great Physician! Whatever is done in the name of Jesus Christ is not worthy unless it is the best possible. To send our well-trained doctors and nurses out over the world and then to shackle their skill with lack of equipment, is wasteful and unchristian.

And so we have a duty and privilege to provide our missionary doctors and nurses with all the equipment which they know how to use, as they bring health and healing to the people whom they serve.

Mothers receiving instruction in child care, Old Umtali, Southern Rhodesia

Isabella Thoburn College student teaching villagers to read

INDIA AND PAKISTAN

Pakistan—Library Books, Lucie Harrison School

The 1950 Week of Prayer gifts provided money to build a chapel and library at the Lucie Harrison Girls' High School, Lahore. When this new building is a reality, many more books than are now owned by the school will be a priority issue. To think of a spacious room, lined with books, for girls who seek a quiet place for reading, gives great joy to those associated with the school.

India—Gujarat Conference Public Health Program, Equipment

Miss Elizabeth Overby, beginning her second term of missionary service, has a motor van. Her public health program is conference wide and is designed not only to care for those who are ill, but to educate people so they can avoid sickness. She needs supplies of medicines, charts, and equipment of various kinds for this work.

India—Yadgiri Hospital, Equipment

A rural hospital is being built at a place most densely populated with Methodist village Christians in the South India Conference. To provide adequate medical supplies and equipment for this new hospital, rather large sums of money will be required.

India—Adult Literacy Work, Puntamba

Teaching adults to read is a major emphasis on the part of all who are interested in the development of a strong democratic India. Night schools, institutes for teachers, the preparation and publication of textbooks for new literates has been an urgent concern of Miss Bernice Elliot and her associates in the Puntamba district. More financial resources will enable a larger outcome from this fine work.

India—Audio-Visual Materials, Jagdalpur, Bastar District

The Seonaguda Village Center, under the supervision of Miss Helen Fehr, conducts annual institutes for the training of pastors and lay workers in worship and in practical ways of helping village folk to better ways of living. Simple audio-visual equipment has a place of importance in the training and outreach of this program.

India—Rural Sanitation Project, Delhi Conference

Sanitation, on the village level in India, is practically nil. It is an area needing attention. To answer the need in one section of the Delhi Conference, a sanitary engineer, a missionary, has gone to the East Punjab. As he works out simple means of providing sanitation, it stands to reason that funds will be needed for those projects of the Woman's Division which attempt to initiate the new methods.

Recent Arrivals From—

***Africa: Central Congo*—Misses Doris Cary, Main St., Wilmore, Kentucky; Annie Parker, care of Mrs. Fayne Wymer, Route 2, Jane Lew, West Virginia.**

***Brazil:* Miss Alice Denison, Box 406, Route 2, Waco, Texas.**

***Cuba:* Miss Eulalia Cook, Box 789, Rock Hill, South Carolina.**

***India:* Misses Catherine Justin, Agra, Kansas; Murden Woods, Box 385, Filer, Idaho; Mary Elizabeth Ferguson, 417 South Winnetka, Dallas 11, Texas.**

JAPAN, KOREA, PHILIPPINES

Japan—Audio-Visual Equipment

Japan—Rural Public Health Program, Equipment

Korea—Rural Health Program, Equipment

Philippines—Rural Health Program, Equipment

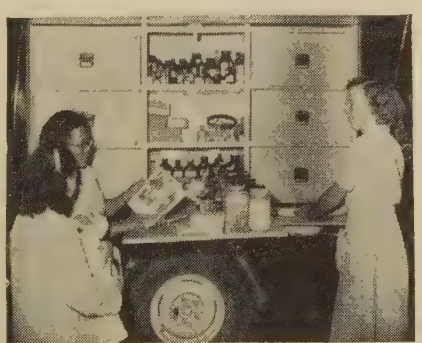
Philippines — Mindanao Deaconess Home, Equipment

Philippines—Car

The missionaries in our rural stations in Japan, Korea, and the Philippines are finding visual aids of increasing value in evangelism, religious education, and education for health and better community living. Projectors, slides, filmstrips, picture story cards, flannelgraphs, and models make the spoken word more meaningful to all groups. Many missionaries are asking for these aids.

Mobile clinics are successfully at work in remote villages of Korea and the Philippines. They bring relief for sick bodies and hope to discouraged souls. A call has come for a mobile clinic from Mindanao in the Philippines, a newly opened homesteading area. Equipment for such a project includes a truck, a jeep, medical supplies, surgical and dental instruments, and visual aids. A home for the missionary director of the clinic, the Filipina nurse, and the deaconess will require furnishings for kitchen, bedrooms, living room, and office. A return to a modest but comfortably furnished home after a strenuous trip, for rest and replenishing of materials, gives strength for the next venture in service.

Miss Dorothy Edwards and the mobile clinic, Philippines



Funds are needed for literature. In these rural areas there is great scarcity of reading matter; no libraries, no newsstands, no bookstores. The rural religious education worker is the channel through which literature reaches the people of the small towns and villages. The missionaries' home or jeep becomes the center for the distribution of materials for information, instruction, and inspiration. The supply of pamphlets, Sunday-school quarterlies, picture story papers, New Testaments, and Bibles needs constant replenishing. There is a call for materials in English, but there is more need for literature in the dialects and languages of the people.

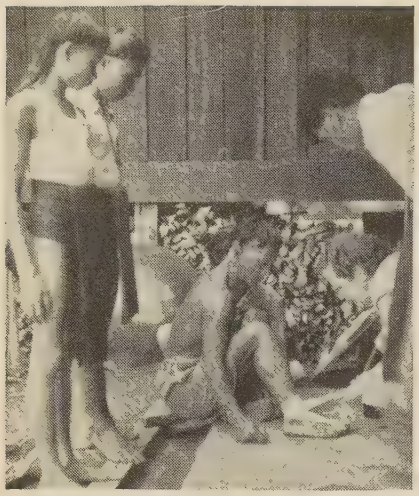
Parents need instruction for better family living; the farmer needs information to help him make his land more productive; the pastor and lay leader of the local church need literature which will give them an understanding of fundamental theological ideas and help in planning for local church activities. The youth of the church need reading matter for their leisure hours and for the development of their spiritual life. Such needs as these should be a challenge to generous giving.

BURMA, BORNEO, MALAYA

Sarawak in Borneo—Clinic Equipment

The Woman's Division went into Borneo only recently. Already a new dormitory for girls will soon be completed. This dormitory will furnish a home for the girls in the large coeducational school established by the Division of World Missions. A new residence for missionaries is also under construction. Audio-visual equipment is needed for this center in Sibu, Methodist headquarters for Sarawak.

A few miles from Sibu a clinic has been opened in cooperation with the government. Most of the money for the little building was raised locally. Miss Emma Palm,



Miss Emma Palm, R.N., giving first aid, Sibu, Borneo

R.N., gives three days a week to this work. Equipment and supplies are needed.

Burma—Social Center Equipment, Rangoon

A social center in connection with the Chinese Methodist Church in Rangoon provides opportunities for the young people of the church to have clubs, a reading room, recreation, and Bible classes. Equipment is needed.

Malaya—Audio-Visual Equipment, Shellabear Hall

Shellabear Hall in Malacca provides a home for more than one hundred children and girls, most of whom attend the Methodist Girls' School in the neighborhood. Audio-visual equipment is needed.

The Methodist Church in Malaya is responding in a very fine way to the challenge which the *New Villages* offer to reach many people as yet untouched by the church. Five hundred thousand Chinese living on the edge of the jungle have been removed to good locations all over the Federation of Malaya by the government, in order to separate these people from the Communists living in the jungle who used them as sources of information and supplies. The church in Malaya is providing churches in many of the villages, as well as small school buildings. Equipment, however, is needed.

Sumatra—Audio-Visual Equipment, Medan

Misses Gusta Robinett and Jessie Wolcott, former China missionaries, have recently arrived in Medan to work in the city and district. Audio-visual equipment will be needed both in Medan and in the surrounding district.

LATIN AMERICA

Brazil—Itapina Rural Institute, Equipment

In 1952, Miss Gladys Oberlin, formerly head of the Home Economics Department at Bennett College, Rio de Janeiro, was appointed to this joint rural project of the Division of Foreign Missions and the Woman's Division of Christian Service. She is our first missionary to enter rural work in Brazil. The few simple buildings of this farm-school, especially the girls' dormitory, need beds, dishes, desks, and home economics equipment.

Chile—El Vergel Training School for Girls, Equipment

Another "first" is at the farm in Angol, Chile, which became a joint project of the two Divisions with the appointment in 1952 of our first missionary to this field, Miss Semeramis Kutz. She has charge of the small training school for girls, who will eventually go out as Christian workers in other rural centers. These girls, some of them Indian, live in an old farmhouse which needs many things to make it homelike and useful.

Cuba—Preston, Public Health Program, Equipment

Miss Elizabeth Beale, our first nurse in Cuba, works in another joint project of the two Divisions, the Agricultural and Industrial School at Preston, where young people are being trained as rural workers. Some of the girls are preparing to go out to assist in public health programs. A station wagon makes it possible to minister to people throughout this region. Equipment of medicines and other aids will widen the scope of this work.

Mexico—Sanatorio Palmore, Equipment

In Chihuahua, this hospital and school of nursing is a joint project of the two Divisions. Miss Pearl Hall is the superintendent. The 1951 Week of Prayer Offering is providing a new surgical building which will need furnishings and equipment. This addition will increase services, hearten the Mexican doctors on the staff, and afford the student nurses better opportunities to learn their profession.

Dona Clyde with a class at the Instituto Rural Evangelico, Itapina, Brazil

Peru—La Florida Social Center, Equipment

In Lima our first social center is being established in the new suburb of La Florida. It is a joint project. The Division of Foreign Missions purchased the site. The Woman's Division is erecting a building where clubs, Sunday school, recreational activities, and worship services will be carried on under the direction of Miss Martha Vanderberg of Lima High School, assisted by a corps of her students who have become enthused with the spirit of Christian service. Later, as a Christian fellowship develops, the Division of Foreign Missions will help to provide a church. Equipment is needed to make this a useful project for youth and adults.

Uruguay—Crandon Junior College, Library Equipment

Crandon Junior College in Montevideo, whose director is Miss Frances Bigelow, is only four years old but it is growing like a child of that age, increasing "in wisdom and stature." One evidence of this is the immediate necessity of expanding the library facilities of Crandon to meet the needs of college students. Furniture and many new books will be provided by your giving.

PERSONNEL NEEDED

The giving of the Methodist women last year was magnificent. I do pray that they will awaken to their great opportunity and responsibility for the wide world. Giving sons and daughters in missionary work is far better than giving them in war. And the results are more far-reaching. Dedicated homes in the United States of America would really transform America, and the whole earth!

DR. IDABELLE LEWIS MAIN
Bennett College,
Rio de Janeiro, Brazil

Recent Sailings For—

Brazil: **Miss Clarissa Rolfs**
India: **Miss May Wiggins**
Malaya: **Miss A. Mabel Mitchell**
Pakistan: **Miss Earlene Hart.**

IN MEMORIAM

Miss Edith A. Smith, **a retired deaconess who made her home at Thoburn Terrace, Alhambra, California, passed away February 16, 1953, at the Highland Park Sanitarium, Alhambra. Miss Smith entered the New York Deaconess Training School in 1895. In 1903, she was graduated from the New England Deaconess Hospital and then served at the New York Deaconess Home as a nurse. In 1919, Miss Smith was transferred to the Home for the Aged, Concord, Massachusetts, from which appointment she was retired in 1920. She was ninety years of age.**

Miss Rose Bilang, **a deaconess-nurse at Bethesda Hospital, Cincinnati, Ohio, died on February 21, 1953, at the hospital where she had served since 1921. Miss Bilang was a member of the former Central German Conference and was graduated from the Dorcas Institute at Cincinnati before she entered nurse training at Bethesda Hospital.**

Miss Ida Anderson **died on February 16, 1953, at her home in Jackson, Mississippi, at the age of eighty-five. She was educated in Atlanta, Georgia. When twenty-five she went to China to be governess for the children of her uncle, Dr. D. L. Anderson, the first president of Soochow University. In 1902 she was accepted as a missionary under the Woman's Missionary Council. For a while she served in McTyeire School in Shanghai, but the greater part of her missionary life was spent in Wusih, an industrial city between Soochow and Nanking.**

Miss Anderson was retired in March, 1934.

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Word has been received of the death of *Miss Addie C. Dyer,* retired Mexico missionary, and *Miss Cora Fales,* retired India missionary.

ANNIE G. BAILEY

Miss Annie G. Bailey, Lynn, Massachusetts, died on March 29 at the age of seventy-two following a two-week illness. Miss Bailey had been publisher of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the former Methodist Episcopal Church for thirty-two years. At the time of Unification, she was on the ad interim Literature Committee, and was a member of the editorial board that planned the first two issues of THE METHODIST WOMAN. Her rich experience, keen judgment, and cooperative spirit made her a valued member of the Committee on Literature and Publications of the Woman's Division on which she served from 1940 to 1952. She once wrote: "We are committed to a task as wide as the world, as deep as the needs of humanity, and as high as heaven itself."

VACATION HOMES

For Deaconesses, Missionaries, and other Church Workers

Fenton Memorial Rest Home, Chautauqua, New York. This rest home was provided as a memorial for deaconesses of The Methodist Church. There is no charge for lodging. Breakfast and light lunch may be prepared. Good cafeteria and tea-room service is available near by.

Address Miss Cynthia Brooks, Hostess, Box 748, Chautauqua, New York, for reservations.

Chautauqua Missionary Home, New York. Chatauqua Missionary Home overlooks Chautauqua Lake. It is open to deaconesses, missionaries, and other church workers. Special rates are given to deaconesses, missionaries, and workers of the Woman's Division of Christian Service. Two meals a day are served in this home.

Address Mrs. Charles H. Thomas, Hostess, 34 Lake Drive, Chautauqua, New York, for reservations.

The summer program at Chautauqua provides religious and cultural opportunities as well as educational and recreational. Outstanding religious leaders conduct services in the amphitheater. Excellent music is provided by the Chautauqua Symphony orchestra in addition to visiting artists. New York University conducts a summer school on the grounds and there are additional educational features. Swimming, boating, and other recreational facilities are available.

CENTRAL JURISDICTION

The tenth annual meeting of the Central Jurisdiction Woman's Society of Christian Service will convene in Quayle Methodist Church, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, June 9-11, 1953. Rev. E. M. Johnson is the pastor.

Mrs. George W. Carter, Jr.,
President
Mrs. William A. Henry,
Recording Secretary

The Athens of the South

By LILY FUNDELL, *from Presbyterian Settlement, London*

NASHVILLE, Tennessee, the second largest city and capital of the state, lies in a valley and is surrounded by the rich plateaus and rolling bluegrass country of middle Tennessee. It shares with the other principal cities in the state a determination to grow and industrialize, but Nashville is unique in that it would seem to be more attuned to its eight universities and colleges than to its industrial plants. A Nashvillian speaks more readily of his city's cultural opportunities than of its more material promise, and it is from this quality that the city gets its title: "The Athens of the South." Nashville is also the proud possessor of the only exact reproduction in the world of the Parthenon at Athens. In this unusual but imposing building is housed a cross-section of the best in American art. Worthy of mention, too, is the Children's Museum, which is more than an exhibition of ancient and interesting objects. Here one may learn how to handle such things as live snakes or go on a field trip and, under expert guidance, discover the beauty and wonder of plant, animal, and bird life.

Middle Tennessee is the cosmopolitan region of the state, and several thousand students, white and Negro, come annually to the colleges in Nashville. Colleges are segregated but more Negroes are educated here than in all the non-Southern and nonsegregated colleges put together, and they come from all over the country. The student body is not only representative of the United States of America but of many parts of the world, and it is not unusual to see foreign students, Nationals as they are called, strolling across a college campus in national dress.

No picture of Nashville should omit such obvious characteristics as smog, irises, dogwood, and the many roadside exhortations erected by church groups, the most familiar being a concrete cross bearing the words, "Get Right With God." "Smog" is a pall of smoke which hangs over the city in winter, at times becoming almost as dense and dirty as London fog. Fortunately winter is comparatively short and spring brings a profusion of irises among other flowers. Dogwood, the traditional flower of the South, bursts into bloom while the blossoms on the giant magnolia trees slowly unfold. Summer follows quickly, its humid heat dealing harshly with gardens. No breath of air cools the sun-baked streets or relieves the oven heat of the homes. Happy only are they who can be lulled to sleep by the droning of an electric fan.

Beyond the college campus and the stately homes of Nashville there are many residents, white and Negro, whose lives are far from enviable. It may be strange to think of America with its accent on the ritzy side of life as having one third of its population living in dire poverty. For evidence of this one has only to visit a settlement in any town. In Nashville there are several settlements, not least among them Bethlehem Center, a settlement for Negroes, known locally as "The House of the Open Door."

Situated in an area where overcrowded and broken homes are commonplace, where the bare necessities of life are beyond the reach of many, Bethlehem Center is teeming with life. Children find here people who really care for them; older folks find it an attractive place for meeting one another and for recreation. For all life takes on new meaning as, through their club groups and Bible school, members learn to respect one another, to make friends and have fun, and to experience the joy in creating something.

The staff at Bethlehem Center is interracial and much effort goes into the promotion of better relationships between the white and Negro dwellers in community. One interracial aspect can be seen from the opportunity given both white and Negro college students to learn at the settlement how to put classroom theories into practice. As they work under the guidance and supervision of the staff, students acquire a broader understanding and greater respect for their fellow men.

In all, Bethlehem Center stands for much in the eyes of the community and plays an important part in the life of the Athens of the South. Its true purpose is best expressed in the words found on its cornerstone: "I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly."

SABBATICAL LEAVE

One of the rare priviliges enjoyed by a few deaconesses is the opportunity to have a sabbatical leave for study. In cooperation with the Social Service Exchange Program of England an exchange plan was worked out so that one of our deaconesses, Helen Mandelbaum, went to England for a year of work and study, while an English worker, Lily Fundell, spent the year working and studying in the United States. It was a most valuable experience for each of them—a plan which we hope to work out eventually with European deaconesses. This year, Evelyn Berry is working and studying at Leonard Theological Seminary in India, while Julia Titus is at Old Umtali in Southern Rhodesia, where Ruth Bartholomew spent her sabbatical leave three years ago.—Miss Mary Lou Barnwell, *Executive Secretary, Commission on Deaconess Work.*

The Tonic of the Tremendous

By MRS. W. B. LANDRUM, *Field Worker of the Woman's Division*

(Report given at the Annual Meeting, Buck Hill Falls, Pennsylvania, January, 1953)

AGAINST an itinerary in eleven conferences in five jurisdictions, and teaching in nine Conference Schools of Missions, East, West, North, and South, I characterize my work in 1952 as one where I took a tonic of the tremendous. Selection is a difficult matter, but the annual meeting of the Little Rock Conference, which is my own home conference, in my own home city of Little Rock, Arkansas, and in my own home church, was my highest joy.

One of the opportunities for self-education and effectiveness is visiting our work. In 1952, I visited Aldersgate Camp, Little Rock, Arkansas; the Methodist Hospital in Albuquerque, New Mexico; Gum Moon in San Francisco, California; the Crawford County Larger Parish in Missouri; Mather Academy in South Carolina; our work among the Blackfoot Indians in Montana; Sue Bennett College in Kentucky; Houchen Settlement in El Paso, Texas; and Wood Junior College in Mississippi. This was my fourth year to go to Duke University in North Carolina for classes in church administration—one of the most challenging opportunities I have. I had a two-day visit at Bennett College, Greensboro, North Carolina, where I gave two addresses. Peace, poise, and power are words I would use to describe Bennett College.

While in the New Mexico Conference I visited Carlsbad Caverns. Never again will I think I am maligned if I am called "a drip." That is the way the caverns came into being. Two lessons I learned: each drip, each drop of water, stayed in its place, and each had a special residue within itself which made it of value.

Recently I wrote the General Passenger Agent of the Rock Island Railroad Lines expressing appreciation for the unfailing kindnesses of his representative, Mr. E. S. Trotter, in Little Rock, who routes me across the United States, whether it be on his railroad or by other lines or other modes of travel. In addition to this, I also thanked the Rock Island official for the slogan of his company which I had appropriated as a title for a talk: "The Route of Planned Progress." The emphases for this quadrennium *are* a route of planned progress, and there will be success in their attainment if there be the conjunction of opportunity with the preparedness to meet it.

I am amazed that one who has never visited a country will have the temerity to teach a course on some mission field, say on Africa; but I did just that, as well as the studies on Understanding the Bible and Home Missions and Human Rights. So I taught Africa, and while in Billings, Montana, was interviewed in a radio broadcast on Africa! From the time that Miss Sallie Lou MacKinnon brought me a Congo cross, after her first trip to Africa, back in Woman's Missionary Council days, up to her latest report, I have been in touch with Africa. As the old bookseller says in Christopher Morley's *Parnassus on Wheels:* "When you sell a man a book, you don't sell him just twelve ounces of paper and string and glue—you sell him a whole new life."

The volume of sales of our literature at Leadership Schools and various meetings is one of the best signs of our taking the route of planned progress. I doff my hat, and my hand is on my heart, to those secretaries of Literature who are pack horses in this mechanized age as they bring the fruits of our Literature Headquarters to the tap roots of our organization.

Mrs. W. B. Landrum

I record my appreciation for the opportunity afforded me to attend General Conference. Again, it was a tonic of the tremendous, and I took a liberal dosage. When I returned home from San Francisco, I reread *The Screwtape Letters,* by C. S. Lewis. The one I wanted to recapture was where his Satanic Majesty receives a letter from his nephew who writes to tell him that the man in whom they have been most interested is going to join the Church. The Devil assures him that they will not lose their man if he keeps his mind on little things: such as being concerned with squeaky shoes or odd clothes. The Devil admonishes him to keep from him the picture of the Church "spread out through all time and space and rooted in eternity, terrible as an army with banners."

We will help to keep the banners of the Church unfurled as we work on the program for this quadrennium—"that the Kingdom of God may be realized." In the year's work I saw the truth of the statement in the book, *The Life We Prize,* by Elton Trueblood: "One comes to the full meaning of life when he is willing to plant shade trees under which he knows full well he will never sit." The amazing fact is the recognition of the tremendous job the people do as they work and pray and give, knowing full well that in this world they will never see all of the results of their endeavors.

Program Suggestions

JULY and AUGUST

By MRS. ALVIN B. PFEIFFER

July: Laborers for Christ

The July program material is packed with information concerning America at work. Every Methodist woman who wishes to be an effective citizen and Christian needs to be aware of this information.

POSTER AND PUBLICITY

Suggested Poster: Outline of factory or factories in silhouette with church spire and cross rising above it in background. Lettered underneath:

"Our Master toiled, a carpenter
Of busy Galilee;
And shall not we find toiling good
Who serve in labor's brotherhood?" [1]

Date ——— Time ——— Place

Invitations: Mimeographed post cards of replica of the poster including the date, time, and place of meeting could be sent in the mail, and/or mimeographed announcements could be handed to all the women attending church the preceding Sunday.

Be careful to have newspaper publicity well written. Include the names of all who are to participate in the program. Have your main newspaper release come before, rather than after, the meeting. We want to increase attendance through our newspaper publicity. (Read *Write It Right,* April issue, page 40.)

WORSHIP SETTING

On a square, folding table, place several large books for elevation and cover with a green cloth. On the elevated part on back of table, place a cross with flowers or greens at its base. On table place as many small objects representing labor or its products (toy airplane, car, boat, small tools, and so forth) as possible without crowding.

PRESENTATION

The program presentation given in the Program Book* is excellent. Follow either program A or B, depending upon your individual group. In planning the program, read carefully the "Suggestions for Presentation" in the Program Book. This topic offers a good opportunity to bring in as speaker an outstanding labor leader from among the church membership or from the community. Whichever way you present the material, be sure that the purposes of the program are kept well in mind by all participants.

The material in the Worship Booklet, *Proclaim the Good News,** is so good it surely should be used. Notice how well it complements the material in the Program Book. The meditation should not be read. It is possible without great effort to have the content well in mind, so that the meditation may be given in the leader's own words or by glancing at the written copy only at the beginning of sentences. Henry van Dyke's lines are an effective closing for the meditation:

"Yet often the King of the country
comes out from His tireless host,
And walks in this world of the
weary as if He loved it the most;
And here in the dusty confusion,
with eyes that are heavy and
dim,
He meets again the laboring-men
who are looking and longing for
Him.

"This is the gospel of labor, ring it,
ye bells of the kirk!
The Lord of Love came down from
above, to live with the men who
work.
This is the rose He planted, here in
the thorn-curst soil:
Heaven is blest with perfect rest,
but the blessing of earth is toil." [2]

Mrs. Alvin B. Pfeiffer

August: Our Father's Temple

Since the purpose of the August program is to inform members of the Woman's Society of the work of churches around the world that are proclaiming the gospel by means of social service as well as through evangelistic ministry, it is obvious this is one of our important presentations. In planning our programs we need always to keep in mind the Purpose of the Woman's Society of Christian Service. All our programs, to be effective, must undergird and support it. As a result of the August program, the members of the Woman's Society should be stimulated to give more freely of their time, prayers, and gifts to promote our missionary enterprise over all the world.

POSTER AND PUBLICITY

Suggested Poster: The poster might resemble a bulletin board with pictures pasted on it of the various countries mentioned in the program. These are to be found in WORLD OUTLOOK. As a heading use the words, "We've a Story to Tell to the Nations." Include date, time, place.

Invitations: A mimeographed invitation with a picture of the globe and the caption, "Our Father's Temple," along with the verse:

[1] From Thomas Curtis Clark's poem, "Song of Christian Workingmen," found in *1000 Quotable Poems,* compiled by Dr. Clark. Used by permission.

[2] From the poem, "The Toiling of Felix." Used by permission of Charles Scribner's Sons.

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"We've a message to give to the nations,
That the Lord who reigneth above,
Hath sent us His Son to save us,
And show us that God is love."

This should tell the people that the study will be on the importance of our world-wide missionary enterprise. Don't forget the date, time, and place.

Fellowship

If possible, the hostesses should be dressed in various costumes depicting the nations to be studied. Menu suggestions might be taken from the January issue of The Methodist Woman (pages 18-19). Fresh flowers should be used in abundance.

Worship Setting

The map, "Principle Centers of Work of the Woman's Division," * is a must for this program. If a more elaborate worship center is desired, a globe with an elevated cross or copy of a picture of Christ may be used.

Presentation of Program

This program offers an excellent opportunity for group participation. Smaller groups may prefer to use Program B. Those taking part should be thoroughly familiar with the material, so that it *will not have to be read.* The leader for this program should be carefully chosen and one that is vitally interested in the message of missions.

Undoubtedly those Societies that can secure a missionary speaker will want to do so. In many Societies, members will have visited some of our mission stations in other lands. Use these members for this program. If the missionary guest speaker is from a denomination other than Methodist, the program chairman should be most careful to call the attention of the audience to the work being done by the Woman's Division of Christian Service in the field or fields mentioned by the guest missionary. We must always remember our responsibility to our own missionary work, and never miss an opportunity to inform our women of the needs and importance of the work at home and abroad for which we are responsible.

This is a fine program in which to use audio-visual materials. See page VIII of the Program Book for suggestions.

Again notice how well the worship service correlates with the program material. Why not follow the suggested outline? If you have more than one speaker, hymns (as suggested in outline) will offer a fine opportunity for audience participation at times when a few minutes are needed to relax. Isn't the suggestion to have the solo emphasize the program material a good one? Why not have the special music make a significant contribution to the total program? So often we wrongly think of it as entertainment only. This is a long program. Be careful of your timing!

Action

Time should be allowed for an open discussion following the presentation. The leader will want to help the Society evaluate its part in supporting the work of the Woman's Division.

Of course, you will have prayed often that God will use you and the Committee on Program to sow the good seeds in the hearts of our members, so that after each program they will be stirred and challenged to greater sacrificial Christian discipleship "That the Kingdom of God May Be Realized."

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A NEW STAFF MEMBER

Introduced by MRS. J. FOUNT TILLMAN, *Chairman of the Department of Christian Social Relations and Local Church Activities*

Miss Ethel L. Watkins

It is my personal privilege to introduce Miss Ethel L. Watkins, our newly elected Associate Secretary in the Department of Christian Social Relations and Local Church Activities. At present a Crusade Scholar, she is completing work on her Master's degree at Boston University, majoring in the science of social service.

Though an Alabamian by birth, she has spent much of her life in Pennsylvania, where she graduated from the Philadelphia High School for Girls. She received her A.B. from Clark College in Atlanta, Georgia. Dr. James Brawley, the president, speaks highly of her and of her brilliant academic record.

Miss Watkins gained experience in social science through summer work: in 1949 as a church youth worker under the Board of Missions, and in 1950 and 1951 as a group leader and later director of a Child Care Center under the New York State Migrant Child Care Program. She will participate in Schools of Missions and get acquainted with many women across the country this summer, taking up her full-time duties after completing her graduate work at Boston University in June, 1954.

While recognizing her professional qualifications, it is gratifying to note her enthusiasm for her work and her eagerness to share in the opportunities for service offered through the program of our Woman's Division of Christian Service.

Ambassadors for Christ Must Know the Way

By MRS. VANCE KING

HYMN: "O Master, Let Me Walk With Thee" (*The Methodist Hymnal,* No. 259).

MEDITATION:

Recently we went to a large city on a shopping trip. Driving into the outskirts I became confused and lost my way. A torrent of rain added to my dismay. After several efforts to get on the right street for our desired destination, I vacated the driver's seat and let our teen-age son take the wheel. With the wisdom and good sense that many youngsters have these days, he drove to a gasoline station and asked for a map of the city. After studying it, he found the way to the place we wanted to go.

The significant thing was that he knew where to go for help.

Today too many of us are lost. We have missed the way and are wanderers. When we know we are getting nowhere in our efforts, when unhappiness and despair are with us constantly, we may be sure that we are on the wrong street. If indifference, worry, doubt, fear, or selfishness have pushed aside the calm trust that faith and right living give, we need to change our direction.

It is seldom that we deliberately get off the right road. That usually comes about through several wrong decisions. One wrong turn leads to another, until we find that we have drifted far from the way we intended to go.

There is only one thing to do when we realize that we are on the wrong street; that is to get a map to guide us. The Bible is the map for Christians to study and it is the safest and surest guide. The seven hundred passages in the Scriptures which refer directly or indirectly to *the Way* will give us the daily help we need on the streets of life.

SCRIPTURE READINGS: Matt. 7:13-14; John 14:5-6.

PRAYER: Dear Lord and Master, too often we miss the way. We are prone to wander off into bad habits and selfish living; we pass by opportunities to help others. Forgive us for the careless and indifferent thoughts which lead us astray. Show us the Way, Lord, and then give us courage and strength to follow it. In Christ's name. Amen.

PROGRAM SUGGESTIONS:

Throughout the year, the meditations for circle programs have been written by members of various overseas units of the World Federation of Methodist Women. Mrs. King is a member of the United States unit, as is true of all members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service.

Take your choice of the following suggestions:

1. Put on the playlet "The Guilty One," page 26. If the participants do not have time to learn their parts, have a "walking rehearsal." That means each one reads her part and carries out the action.

2. Present the new plan for Youth Work. See pages 12, 13 of the May issue, plus page 37 of this issue.

3. Review articles on "The World's Student Christian Federation Conferences," page 6 of this issue, plus "Methodist Evangelism in India" in June WORLD OUTLOOK. Both articles are by Dr. Hiel Bollinger. These articles could be rewritten or recast and given as an interview with the author.

4. Quiz

(a) What meeting was held December 29, 1952—January 5, 1953? What was its first and outstanding characteristic? What was its greatest contribution?

(b) Name fifteen projects that will receive offerings from the study classes on The Life and Task of the Church Around the World.

(c) Name the twelve projects that will receive offerings from the study classes on Spanish-Speaking Americans in the U. S. A.

(d) What is the date of the 1954 Assembly? Where will it be held? What is the theme?

(e) Identify Miss Ethel L. Watkins; Mrs. W. B. Landrum.

(f) Explain Youth Safari; Planned Tour, July 4-12.

(g) Name the four approved study courses. Give the titles of the books and their authors.

(h) What conference was worth holding? Give three or four highlights.

(i) June 26-28, 1953 are important dates. Why?

(j) Sabbatical leave. What does it mean?

(k) What books are recommended for vacation church schools?

(l) What is the basic manual of vocational information. Who should have a copy?

Recipes: An Educational Feature

Dear Mrs. Meeker:

Zadza with Rhodesian greens created considerable interest at our church fellowship supper when we had a program on Africa.

At some of our circle meetings we have served Pasta Frola and Chicken Pullao. The dishes are "conversation pieces." I believe they bring the people of other countries and the missionaries who work there just a little nearer.

MRS. A. C. ZUMBRUNNER,
Marshall, Missouri

The Circle Chairman

THE circle chairman is an important person. To a large extent, she is responsible for the interest and effectiveness of the women in her circle. Her spirit is reflected in the plans, program, and activities undertaken by the group. A circle chairman should possess the attributes of a president for she, too, is a presiding officer.

She is a member of the Executive Committee of the Woman's Society of Christian Service. At the meetings of this committee, she represents her circle and speaks for the members in the discussion of policies and adoption of plans.

Then she reports to the circle any actions taken by the Executive Committee, explains the budget, and any other business transacted, and interprets the total program.

"One loving heart sets another heart on fire." An enthusiastic, committed, cooperative circle chairman can set the tone, change attitudes, if necessary, and win the loyal support of the circle members for the work.

Circle Quiz

1. Does your chairman attend the Executive Committee meeting of the Woman's Society of Christian Service? Yes___ No___.

2. Does she report and interpret the actions and program in a way that enlists the support of your circle members? Yes___ No___.

3. Is your circle gaining new members for the Woman's Society? Yes___ No___.

4. Is your circle developing new leaders for the Woman's Society? Yes___ No___.

5. Is your circle well represented at the monthly meeting of the Woman's Society? Yes___ No___.

6. Are the members urged and encouraged to attend and participate in the monthly meeting of the Woman's Society? Yes___ No___.

7. Do the members have a sense of responsibility for the total program of the Woman's Society? Yes___ No___.

8. Do the members know the purpose and scope of the work? Yes___. No___.

9. Do the members give willingly of their time, service, and money? Yes___. No___.

10. Check the apparent purpose of your circle judging from the usual type of meeting and program:

Eats and Entertainment ( ); Fun and Fellowship ( ); Information and Inspiration ( ); Spiritual Growth and Guidance ( ); Combination of all elements ( ).

Are you satisfied with your score in this quiz? What are you going to do about it?

Planned Tour

July 4-12

Under the auspices of the Board of Education and the Board of Missions, a nine-day tour has been planned for young adults to visit missionary work in Texas and Mexico.

Other purposes of the tour are:

To become acquainted with young adults, as they work in the churches, settlement houses, schools, and clinics.

To see evidences of good will and brotherhood among people of different cultural and racial background.

To travel with others in a worthwhile vacation experience.

Estimated cost: $50.00 minimum expenses.

For information write to Rev. Edwin F. Tewksbury, P. O. Box 871, Nashville 2, Tennessee.

Recipe—An Educational Feature

By MRS. PAUL DEATS, JR.

BURMA

BURMESE VERMICELLI

	For 5	*For 50*	
I.	1 cup	10 cups	finely diced, cooked chicken (boned)
	½ cup	5 cups	diced, cooked lean pork
	¼ cup	2½ cups	diced, cooked fish (boned)
II.	2 cups	20 cups	vermicelli (broken up)
	6 cups	12 quarts	boiling water
	1 tablespoon	½ cup	salt
	½ teaspoon	2 tablespoons	fat
III.	¼ teaspoon	2¼ teaspoons	chili powder
	1 teaspoon	3 tablespoons	salt
	½ cup	5 cups	sliced onions
	1	10	garlic buds, finely chopped
	⅛ teaspoon	1¼ teaspoons	ginger
	1	8	eggs, well-beaten
	⅛ teaspoon	1¼ teaspoons	yellow food coloring
	1 cup	10 cups	boiling water

Cook vermicelli (or very fine noodles) in boiling water, to which salt and fat have been added, about 6-8 minutes. Drain immediately.

Fry garlic and onion in fat until light brown. Add chicken, pork, fish, salt and ginger. (Use less salt if meats have been salted in former cooking.) Add boiling water; cover closely; cook over low heat about twenty minutes.

Add vermicelli, then beaten eggs, slowly, stirring carefully. Add food coloring to give mixture pale yellow color. More boiling water or meat stock may be added if more gravy is desired.

(Tester rates this a tasty dish and a good way to use up bits of left-over meat.)

Serve with cabbage salad and/or carrot and cucumber sticks.

From Jeanette Oldfather, in Kingswood School, Kalaw, Burma (formerly in Korea). See October, 1952 issue, page 17.

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WE WILL SEEK TO

TEXTS, GUIDES, AND SUP
1953-54 STUDIES OF THE WOMAN'

SPANISH-SPEAKING AMERICANS IN THE U.S.A.

Within These Borders, **by John R. Scotford. Paper $1.25.**

Who? Spanish-Speaking Americans in the United States. **Edited by Mae Hurley Ashworth. Paper 50 cents.**

Adult Guide on Spanish-Speaking Americans in the U.S.A., **by Edwin F. Tewksbury. Paper 50 cents.**

Drama

Beyond Good Friday, **by Agnes J. Agnew. 35 cents.**

FREE LEAFLETS ON STUDY

"Cristo Me Ama," **Valley Institute, Pharr, Texas.**

Along the Border of the Rio Grande **(Kindergarten Work).**

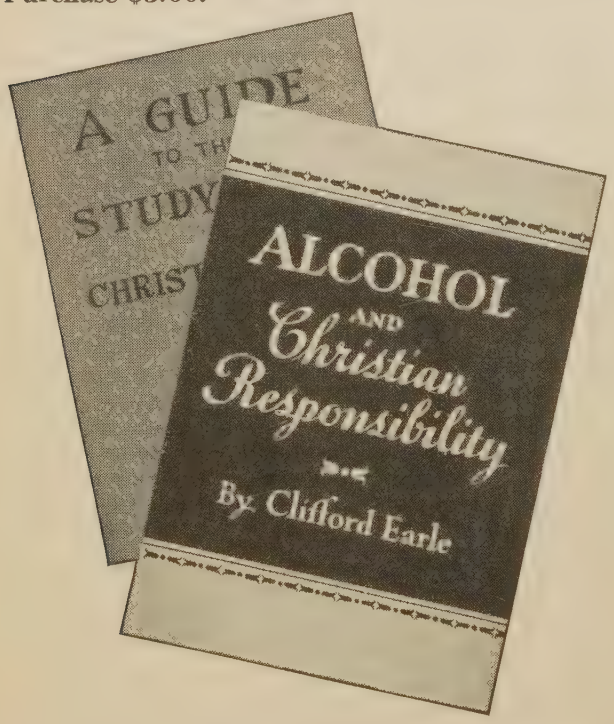
Our Cuban Outpost in Florida.

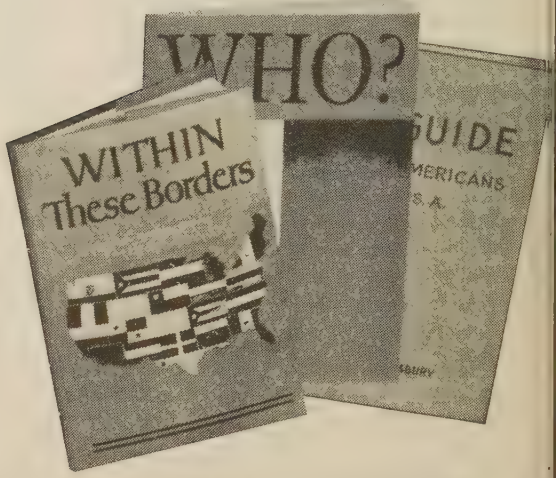
Visions of a Larger Good.

Films

They, Too, Need Christ. **16 mm sound. 39 minutes. Rental $11.50.**

Our Newest Neighbors. **Discussion filmstrip on Spanish-speaking Americans. Black and white. Purchase $3.00.**





ALCOHOL AND CHRISTIAN RESPONSIBILITY

Alcohol and Christian Responsibility, **by Clifford R. Earle. Paper 65 cents.**

A Guide to the Study of Alcohol and Christian Responsibility, **by Albion Roy King. Paper 25 cents.**

Visual Aids

Films

Alcohol and the Human Body. **Encyclopedia Britannica Films, Inc., Wilmette, Illinois. 16 mm sound, 14 minutes. Rental $3.10.**

Alcoholism. **Encyclopedia Britannica Films, Inc., Wilmette, Illinois. 16 mm sound, 20 minutes. Rental $4.60.**

Beneficent Reprobate**—Ethyl Alcohol, Its Nature and Its Properties. WCTU, 1730 Chicago Avenue, Evanston, Illinois. 16 mm sound, 40 minutes. Purchase $75.00; rental $1.00.**

Drunk Driving. **Teaching Films Custodians, Inc., 25 West 43rd Street, New York, New York. 16 mm sound, 2[illegible] minutes. Rental $3.00.**

It's the Brain That Counts. **WCTU, 1730 Chicago Avenue, Evanston, Illinois. 16 mm sound. Purchase $50.00; rental $2.10.**

The Vicious Circle. WCTU, **1730 Chicago Avenue, Evanston, Illinois. 16 mm sound, color. Rental $1.00.**

Filmstrips

Alcohol Problem Visualized. **Society for Visual Education, Inc., 1345 West Dwersey Parkway, Chicago, Illinois. 35 mm color. Purchase $2.00.**

Decision. **The Methodist Publishing House, 810 Broadway, Nashville, Tennessee. 35 mm sound, 5 minutes. Purchase $5.00; rental $2.00.**

Testing the Drinking Driver. **National Safety Council, 20 North Wacker Drive, Chicago, Illinois. Sound slides, 20 minutes. Loan.**

The Things That Belong Unto Peace. **(Section on alcohol included in filmstrip.) Department of Christian Social Relations and Local Church Activities, 150 Fifth Avenue, New York 11, New York. Color. Purchase $4.25.**

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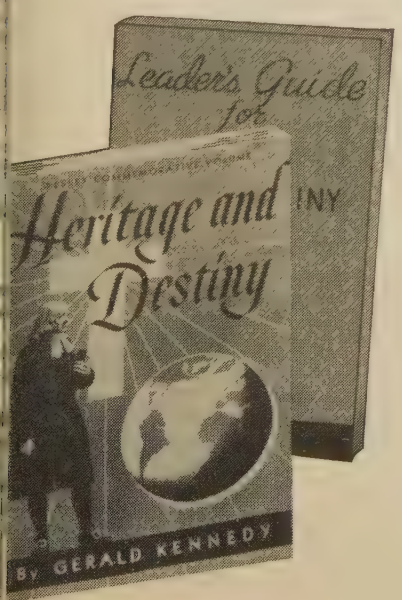


THE LIFE AND TASK OF THE CHURCH AROUND THE WORLD

That the World May Know, by Charles W. Ranson. Paper $1.25.

Where'er the Sun, by Samuel Hugh Moffett. Paper $1.25.

Where There Is Life, by Leslie C. Sayre. Pictorial pamphlet. Paper $1.00.

Adult Guide on The Life and Task of the Church Around the World, by Theodore F. Romig. Paper 50 cents.

Drama

They Made a Path, by Helen Kromer. 75 cents.

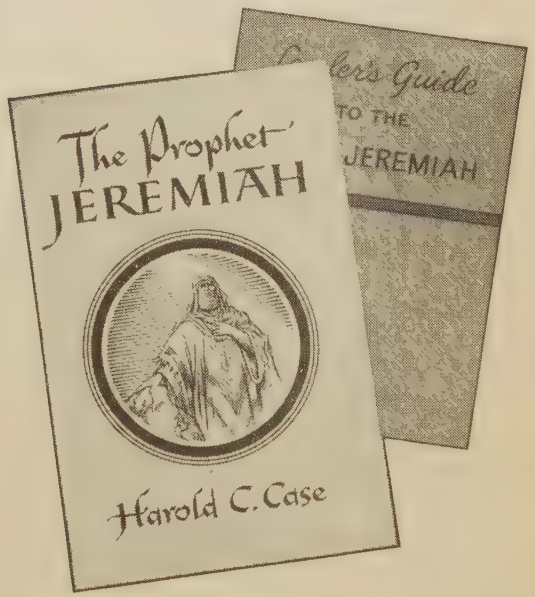
Films

A People Without Fear. This film shows the work of the church in several countries. 16 mm sound, 29 minutes. Rental, black and white $8.00; color $12.00.

JEREMIAH

The Prophet Jeremiah, by Harold C. Case. Paper 75 cents.

A Guide to a Study of Jeremiah, by Leila Bagley Rumble. Paper 25 cents.



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WESLEYAN SERVICE GUILD

LILLIAN A. JOHNSON, *Secretary*

Questions and Answers

Many of the questions that come to the Guild office deal with matters that seem to need clarification quite generally in the work of the Guild and in its relationship to the Woman's Society of Christian Service. Here are some of them which we have attempted to answer:

Q. In the new by-laws the conference Guild secretary is not mentioned as a member of the executive committee of the Woman's Society of Christian Service. Does this mean that she no longer serves in this capacity?

A. She is still a member of the executive committee, as are the Guild secretaries on jurisdiction and district levels, and the president and treasurer on the local level. You will note in the by-laws that none of the other officers are listed separately either. Article 4, Executive Committee, Section 1, states that the officers of the Woman's Society are members of the executive committee. Turning to Article 1—Officers, you will note in Section 8 that the Wesleyan Service Guild secretary is listed as one of the officers of the conference Woman's Society of Christian Service. For corresponding by-laws on other levels, see By-laws of the Jurisdiction, Woman's Society of Christian Service, Article 1, Section 9, as compared with Article 2, Section 2; By-laws of the District Woman's Society of Christian Service, Article 1, Section 8, as compared with Article 5, Section 2; By-laws of the Wesleyan Service Guild Unit in the Local Church, Article 5, Section 2, (1) and (5).

Q. The theme for the Wesleyan Service Guild Weekend for this year is, "The Christian and Her Daily Work." Our Weekend is held in connection with the Conference School of Missions and Christian Service, which has a different theme. Do you not think it is confusing to have separate ones?

A. We felt that "The Christian and Her Daily Work" fits very well with "Christian Discipleship Around the World," which is the theme for the Schools of Missions and Christian Service this year, for it suggests a specific emphasis for gainfully employed women. However, the Standing Committee of the Wesleyan Service Guild voted to use hereafter the same theme for its Weekend as the one used in the Schools of Missions and Christian Service. The one for next year will be selected by the Standing Committee of Missionary Education when it meets in September. The Wesleyan Service Guild has representation on this committee.

Q. We are planning a banquet at our Guild Weekend and I have been asked to take charge of the decorations. Will you kindly send me samples of centerpieces and favors for our tables?

A. We purposely do not send out samples, because the people who tell us that they have no ideas usually turn up with some very clever ones when they start to work. We do hope that you will create your own things and that they will have some connection with the work of the Woman's Division of Christian Service. We suggest that you use as a motif the Special Interests of the Guild, or something related to the approved studies for the current year. A good book which will give you help in making scenery and figures is *Here's How and When,* by Armilda B. Keiser, price $2.75.* It was written for children and their leaders and parents, so you may be able to borrow a copy from some church-school worker.

Program Helps for July

"Laborers for Christ"

That this is a program particularly designed for use in the Wesleyan Service Guild is evident in the Suggestions for Action and Discussion, page 149 of the Program Book.* You will want to follow the directions for presentation rather closely. Be sure to pay special attention to the above-mentioned suggestions for Action and Discussion. They are for *YOU!*

Nurses' Home, Seward Sanatorium

When word came that the Nurses' Home at Seward, Alaska, had burned, the Wesleyan Service Guild asked permission to finance its rebuilding. The amount to be raised was $30,000.00, the plan being to raise this money within a two-year period. At the end of three years there is still $1,718.19 outstanding. This obligation should be cleared as soon as possible, and it is certain that Guild members will want to do their share when they know the situation. Gifts for this fund are credited toward appropriations, but the gifts should be *in addition to the regular pledge.* The money is reported on the local treasurer's blank under *Pledge to Missions* for (a) *Guild Projects,* and listed on the second page under *Missionary Projects.*

In addition to the chart listing Major Occupation Groups on page 142, here are some interesting facts about women workers:

The kinds of jobs that women hold according to the U. S. Census, 1950:

26.4% Office Work
18.7% Factory Work
12.6% Service Work (except domestic)
10.3% Domestic Service
10.8% Professional and Semi-Professional

Increase in number of employed women between August, 1950, and August, 1951—653,000; increase in professional and semi-professional women workers between October, 1950, and October, 1951—90,000. In March, 1950 — 18,000,000 women were employed, 32 per cent of whom were single, 52 per cent married, 16 per cent widowed or divorced.

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To Local Secretaries of Christian Social Relations and Local Church Activities

Information and Action

Dear Friends:

A very important conference was held March 1-3, in Washington, made up of representatives and observers from 120 national organizations. The purpose of the conference was to study together the "U. S. Responsibility for World Leadership in 1953." The findings of this conference included the following statement:

> Although every public opinion poll shows overwhelming support for United Nations, we are aware of increasing opposition by determined forces. We note with concern growing counsels which would in effect abandon the U.N., withdraw American participation, and nullify effective international agreements. We note and oppose resolutions introduced in Congress to withdraw and others to cripple by constitutional amendment the historic treaty making power.

This statement points up probably the most crucial issue before us today—the need for preserving and strengthening the United States participation and leadership in United Nations. (See "An Open Letter to the President of the United States" in THE METHODIST WOMAN for March, 1953.)

Many groups of Methodist women across the nation are at work in various ways seeking to alert Christian citizens to this responsibility and to combat anti-U.N. propaganda. On the following pages of this section you will find a skit by Mrs. Mildred L. Good.

Your attention has been called from time to time over the years to the work being done by the United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund, UNICEF. Last year the interest in this program, which has improved the lot of millions of children, found a new way of expression. Even though the publicity for this new idea could not be started until Halloween was almost upon us, the results were encouraging.

This "Tricks or Treats" Project was a plan for diverting the energies so often misused at Halloween into a campaign to help UNICEF. As of January 27, 1953, $30,006.65 has been sent in to help children through UNICEF. Halloween was celebrated in this new way in 484 communities in forty states, the District of Columbia, and the Canal Zone. The contributions were collected by children making a door-to-door campaign, preceded by newspaper and radio and other types of publicity. They asked to have nickels and pennies dropped into milk containers which carried the UNICEF insignia. Instead of the begging of previous years, they enjoyed the fact that these contributions would help to buy food and clothing in Korea and other parts of the world where children's needs are greater than ever before. A great many communities ended their reports by saying, "The public is pleased with the idea. Let's work harder and earlier next year." Perhaps your community was one of those reporting; if not, you might like to try it this year! Write to *UNICEF, United Nations, New York, N. Y.*, for suggestions.

Another important opportunity calling us to action relates to the whole emphasis on alcohol education. The new study on "Alcohol and Christian Responsibility," for the year 1953-54, will be initiated in your Jurisdiction and Conference Summer Schools of Missions and Christian Service. Leaders from your local Woman's Society and Guild will find help at the conference school for getting this study under way in your local church. Be sure to plan ahead to include this study emphasis, and to participate fully in your local church observance of Commitment Sunday. The months of January and February, 1954, have been suggested as a time for a major spearhead of interest in this grave problem confronting the nation. (See THE METHODIST WOMAN, March, 1953.)

The "Activities for 1953-54" * may be secured (*free* for postage) in quantity for use by your committees and other interested individuals.

June 1 begins the first quarter of the new fiscal year of 1953-54. You will want to be sure your committee has carefully made its plans for the months ahead, so that the slump which sometimes comes in July and August will not undercut the program at this crucial time. *Keep your eye on Congress, and make your voice heard on matters of concern to Christians!* Why not ask one of your members to be a special "listening post" during the summer months, especially until Congress adjourns?

As we begin this new year, "the things that belong unto peace" weigh heavily upon us. These times call for *informed, courageous, committed Christians,* who will work *without fear* in these days when fear stalks the earth and freedom in many lands faces a death struggle. Even in this land we too often forget that "all men are created equal and are entitled to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness." May God strengthen our hearts for these troubled days!

Sincerely,

THELMA STEVENS
MARGARET R. BENDER

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The Guilty One

By MILDRED L. GOOD

Characters: Franny Smith, Helen Brown, Ann Smith, Edna Blank
Place: *Living room of Franny's home*
Time: *A summer afternoon*

When scene opens, Franny is seated behind a small table making favors from crepe paper. Helen is at right of table, near R. entrance. Nearby is a telephone table.

FRANNY: Helen, I have the cutest idea for the church bazaar next week. You know, if we make $500.00, we can clear that building fund pledge—why, you're not even listening to me. What is on your mind?

HELEN: The United Nations.

FRANNY: The United Nations! Come on down to earth, and help me raise this building fund pledge. That's one way we can be really effective Christians.

HELEN (*crossing to right of table*): I was thinking of the speaker at the Woman's Society last week. When she asked how many could name three things United Nations had done, about six people raised their hands! Franny, that's terrible.

FRANNY: Oh, I don't think that's so bad. There isn't much in the newspapers. Goodness knows, I don't have time to dig through all the solid print in those pamphlets she handed out—not with a bazaar next week, a daughter home from college for the summer, bandages to roll, clothes to collect for the mission, and favors to make for next week's family night. (*Pushes some paper into Helen's hands.*) Here, make yourself useful.

HELEN (*mechanically crinkling paper*): I can't help but feel we ought to do something. People are attacking the U.N. and that's dangerous.

FRANNY: But we're not attacking it.

HELEN: Look, Franny, we could start a study class in our Woman's Society at church. We have the material. (*Holds up pamphlets.*) See this *A Christian's Primer of the United Nations*,* and here is the Charter of the U.N. If people in America don't start knowing about the U.N. pretty soon, the people who don't like it will spread enough poison of misinformation to undermine it.

FRANNY (*rising*): But why bother about us. We aren't causing the trouble. The speakers, columnists, and commentators are doing that.

HELEN (*continuing*): Many of these attacks would not be made if the people knew what United Nations has done—how it averted actual warfare in Indonesia, Kashmir, and Palestine, stamped out malaria in parts of Greece, stopped cholera in Egypt, fed millions of children. We must help create a climate of opinion favorable to the U.N.

FRANNY (*crossing back to C. table*): You sound like a weather forecast. These favors have to be finished today. Let me see. . . . Where did I put that red . . .

HELEN: I want a study class on the accomplishments of the U.N. If you will give it your backing, it will go over.

FRANNY (*seriously*): I think it is a good idea, but honestly, Helen, I don't know where to find the time. There's the bazaar next week . . . and family night. The tenth is our day at the mission. Thursday I go to the hospital. . . . And my only child has just come home for the summer.

HELEN: How is she getting along as a playground director?

FRANNY: Wonderfully. She just loves it. It's one of those once-in-a-lifetime chances to get experience and it means a lot to her.

HELEN: That's wonderful. Now, before I go, how about that study class? . . .

FRANNY: Helen, I don't see how it can be worked.

HELEN: There are Monday afternoons. I've checked the calendar.

FRANNY (*squirming a little*): I'm not quite sure about Monday. (*Hands Helen a desk calendar.*) I think it would be nice to learn about the U.N.—and I certainly believe in it—but do you see how I can possibly cram in one more thing? Anyway, it isn't I who needs to be educated. It's those other people who are spreading misinformation. I still say they're the ones you should go after. (*Telephone rings. Franny goes to table at L. and picks up receiver.*) Hello. . . . Yes, Mary. . . . Oh, no! . . . Well, somebody has to go. . . . Have you tried the whole list? . . . I don't see how I can. . . . Well, if there's no one else. . . . All right, Monday mornings for three weeks. (*Replaces receiver and turns to Helen who simply looks at her.*) That was Mary Elliot. She can't get anyone for Monday mornings at the West Side Center. (*Suddenly realizes what she has done.*) I couldn't let her down. I . . .

HELEN (*quietly*): I understand. (*Exits L. Ann enters from R. She drops listlessly into a chair.*)

FRANNY: Hello, darling. What a nice surprise. Have a holiday?

ANN: No.

FRANNY: It's nice to have you home anyway. We've seen so little of you. Of course, we're terribly proud of your work, but we do enjoy having you around.

ANN: That's good. I'll be around from now on.

FRANNY (*sensing something wrong*): What do you mean? What's wrong?

ANN: I am no longer a playground director.

FRANNY: But why?

ANN (*holding up a small United Nations flag*): This.

FRANNY (*puzzled*): A United Nations flag. Pretty, isn't it? But

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what connection does it have with your job?

ANN: I don't have a job because of it. That's all. O mother, it's all so silly, and yet so terrible.

FRANNY: Want to tell me about it?

ANN: Uh-huh. After lunch I had the children around a table and we were talking about the United States flag. I told them what it stood for and about our freedoms and rights. Then I showed them this flag and told them about the United Nations. How the peoples of the world are united to try to find ways of stopping war and bringing better life to people everywhere.

FRANNY: What a lovely thing to do!

ANN: Yes, wasn't it? Until Miss Blank came. She took one look at the flags and said, right in front of the children, "Miss Smith, we do not show the United Nations flag here. We do not talk about the United Nations here."

FRANNY: But she was wrong. She was, wasn't she?

ANN: Of course. I tried to tell her that since we joined by an almost unanimous vote of the Senate, 85 to 2, we should all know about it. Do you know what she said?

FRANNY: I've no idea.

ANN: She said, "Not in this town. A group of us who are convinced that the United Nations is undermining the United States went to the school board last fall and demanded that it make a ruling, that never in any of our schools nor on any of our school playgrounds shall the United Nations flag be shown nor anything taught about that organization." Is that true, Mother? Did they force the school board to take such a stand?

FRANNY: I don't know.

ANN: But you would have known. The church women would have been against it. Our denomination has always been so strong in support of the United Nations. And the Council of Churchwomen. They would have been there. Where's that leaflet I took to Guild last night? (*Fishes "Christian Women Building Lasting Peace" from her purse.*) See, point 3, "We believe that next to the churches, today's best instrument for peace is the United Nations. Therefore, we will know it and support it." As president of our Woman's Society you would have heard about it from the Council.

FRANNY: Wait. Yes, I think I do remember getting a call from the Council president about going to a meeting of the school board.

ANN: And you didn't go?

FRANNY: Honey, that was the night our circle served the Men's Club. Your Aunt Helen went. Of course, if I had known . . . .

ANN: If you had known it would make me lose my summer's work, you would have gone.

FRANNY: Don't be so discouraged, Ann. It'll all blow over. Why, I've known Edna since we were in grade school. I'll talk to her.

ANN: I wouldn't be too sure.

FRANNY (*with some apprehension*): What did she do?

ANN: She insisted I put away the United Nations flag.

FRANNY: You didn't, did you?

ANN: No.

FRANNY: Then what?

ANN: She told me to leave the playground and said she would see that I was barred from any further playground work in this town.

FRANNY: But she can't. She can't do this to you. All your plans will be wrecked if you don't get that credit. Didn't you try to show her she was mistaken?

ANN: I just stood there. I was just numb. I couldn't move. I couldn't talk. Until she reached for the U.N. flag. Then I grabbed it and ran home.

FRANNY (*putting her arms around Ann*): My poor darling! Don't worry. It will come out all right. Edna always did want to run everything, but she's not bad really. I think I can handle her. We'll have you back at work in a couple of days.

ANN: It isn't just myself. It's the United Nations. Honestly, I felt as if I were the United Nations —as if I were being torn apart and couldn't do anything about it. (*Franny starts to interrupt, but Ann continues.*) It's the United States, too. What's going to happen to a country when people can't even teach about things their own Congress has done, without being attacked? Here comes Miss Blank now. I'll go upstairs. (*Exit.*) (*There is a knock at the door and Franny admits Edna Blank.*)

FRANNY: Good afternoon, Edna. Do come in.

EDNA: How do you do, Frances?

FRANNY: Just fine. Won't you have a chair?

EDNA: No, thank you. I'll be only a few minutes. I presume Ann told you about the little scene at the playground this afternoon.

FRANNY: Yes. And believe me, Edna, Ann was right. She was . . .

EDNA: I regret that the matter came up. Ann is such a capable girl. We should be very sorry to lose her.

FRANNY: I am sure you would.

EDNA: We shall be very glad to have Ann back, if she will agree not to teach about the United Nations.

FRANNY: Ann will never agree to such terms.

EDNA: But, Frances, use your influence. Think of all that this summer's experience means to her.

FRANNY: Ann won't do it, and I wouldn't want her to.

EDNA: The organization of which I am president sponsors this particular playground. It has gone on record both nationally and locally as being opposed to the United States participation in the United Nations. We have spent considerable time and effort discouraging the promotion of the United Nations in this town. Surely you can see our point.

FRANNY: No, I can't. Ann had every right to teach the children about the U.N. The United States belongs to the United Nations.

EDNA: Our country should not belong to an organization that is

trying to take away our freedom as a nation.

FRANNY: But it isn't. It's trying to bring peace. That's carrying out the teachings of Jesus.

EDNA: Can you show me where the United Nations has brought peace? I can tell you where it has brought war.

FRANNY: Why . . . Why . . . Wait a minute. There's Indonesia . . . and Kashmir and . . . and Jerusalem.

EDNA: I doubt if a resident of Jerusalem would say he lives in peace.

FRANNY: But the United Nations settled something there. I know they did. Helen was talking about it today.

EDNA: And what about Korea? Is that peace?

FRANNY: Korea? Korea's different. It's collective security. But anyway, don't forget all the things the U.N. is doing all over the world.

EDNA: What, for instance? My sources of information fail to indicate anything of value.

FRANNY: Why, there are things like raising food and keeping people well. Don't you think that's important? Don't you think that's carrying out Jesus' teaching of loving your neighbor as yourself?

EDNA: Can you show me just where the United Nations is doing these things?

FRANNY: And if I do, may Ann go back to work and still teach about the U.N.?

EDNA (*hesitates a second, but is certain Franny does not have the information*): If you can give me three specific instances where the United Nations is doing something worth while, Ann may come back to the playground with no restrictions.

FRANNY: There are plenty of places—I just can't recall them right now. There's . . . there's something about Greece. And Egypt. What was it in Egypt? Oh, there are lots of things it has done.

EDNA: For instance?

FRANNY: Reading. Literacy. In South America UNESCO taught hundreds of people to read. We learned about it in our mission study book the other year. Didn't you have it in your church? That's one thing. Let me see. . . . Why can't I think of something else? . . . "I was hungry and ye fed me." That's what the U.N. is doing.

EDNA: Unfortunately, quoting Scripture is no substitute for precise information.

FRANNY: But don't you think Scripture is important? It's the basis of our religion, and religion is important.

EDNA (*having dealt with Franny before*): We are not talking about religion, Frances.

FRANNY: (*with quiet dignity in defeat*): Yes, we are. Because at the bottom of it all, the teachings of Jesus are all tangled up with the United Nations. And even if I am too fuzzy brained to give you three specific things the U.N. has done, I know that next to the churches, today's best instrument for peace is the United Nations. . . . You might as well go now. There's nothing more to say. (*Exit Edna R.*)

FRANNY (*sinks into chair at back of table*): I didn't know. Only one thing. . . . O Ann, I wrecked your chances because I didn't know. (*Ann enters from back.*) What have I done to you? . . .

ANN: Mother?

FRANNY: (*rising and facing Ann*): Ann, if I had known three things the United Nations has done, you would have gone back to work tomorrow. But I didn't know them. I wrecked your chances.

ANN: Never mind. I've been thinking. There are other things I can do.

FRANNY: It's all my fault. If I had known about Indonesia and Kashmir and Jerusalem. What did the United Nations do there? Edna said Jerusalem isn't peaceful.

ANN: What the U.N. did was keep the fighting from spreading into an open war. It stepped in with mediation—not a perfect agreement—but a stopping of actual warfare. And Korea—for the first time we have nations acting together to stop aggression.

FRANNY: Why didn't I know these things? I couldn't think of the other things the U.N. has done—like health and food in Greece and Egypt.

ANN: Of course. The World Health Organization stopped cholera there in a matter of weeks. It stamped out malaria in parts of Greece and Italy. It's doing so many things I could take all day and not tell them all.

FRANNY: All I had was a vague idea that the U.N. was doing good, and vague ideas didn't help you or the U.N. There are hundreds like me. People who believe in the United Nations. Many of us active churchwomen. Because we are so immersed in the activities close at hand, we don't take time to see the important things around us.

ANN: Mother, don't blame yourself.

FRANNY: A year ago I might have had some influence on Edna Blank. We might have studied together. But now. . . . Her mind is made up. She is spreading misinformation and I can't stop her. I can only learn the true facts about the U.N. and spread them as an antidote. (*Picks up Charter and reads.*) "We, the peoples of the United Nations." We . . . why, that's I, Franny Smith, and Helen Brown and Joe Smith and all the members of my church . . . and the Council of Churchwomen . . . all the people of this town . . . all the people everywhere. We are part of the U.N. and its future is our responsibility.

(*Curtain.*)

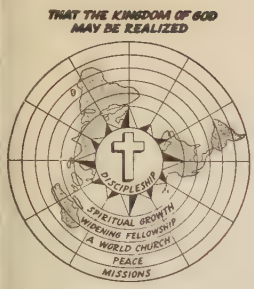

CHART AND COMPASS

ORGANIZATION AND PROMOTION

MISS DORCAS HALL, *Executive Secretary,*
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THEME AND EMPHASES 1952-1956

THAT THE KINGDOM OF GOD MAY BE REALIZED

1. WE WILL SEEK TO GROW AS CHRISTIANS.
2. WE WILL SEEK TO BRING OTHERS INTO THE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP . . . OF THE CHURCH AND OF THE WOMAN'S SOCIETY OF CHRISTIAN SERVICE AND THE WESLEYAN SERVICE GUILD.
3. WE WILL SEEK WITH CHRISTIANS EVERYWHERE THE SUSTAINING FELLOWSHIP AND POWER OF A WORLD CHRISTIAN CHURCH.
4. WE WILL USE ALL AVAILABLE RESOURCES TO WORK FOR "THE THINGS THAT BELONG UNTO PEACE."
5. WE WILL PROCLAIM THE WORLD MISSION OF THE CHURCH TO BE GOD'S PLAN FOR THE REDEMPTION OF THE WORLD. TO THIS END, WE WILL WORK TO MAKE THE LORD JESUS CHRIST KNOWN TO ALL PEOPLES EVERYWHERE, TO PERSUADE THEM TO BECOME HIS DISCIPLES, AND TO FOSTER THE KNOWLEDGE AND EXPANSION OF THE MISSIONARY ENTERPRISE THROUGHOUT THE WORLD.
6. WE WILL ACCEPT THE PRICE OF CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP.

LAOTZE—CHINESE PHILOSOPHER—ON LEADERSHIP

Of the best leaders
The people only know that they exist;

The next best they love and praise;
The next they fear;

And the next they revile.

When they do not command the people's faith
Some will lose faith in them,
And then they resort to recriminations!

But of the best, when their task is accomplished, their work done,

The people all remark,
"We have done it ourselves."

(Quoted in *Adult Leadership,* June, 1952)

YOUR PROBLEM IS YOU

By Roy L. Smith
120 pages; 35 cents
Published by *The Upper Room* 1908 Grand Avenue, Nashville 5, Tennessee.

We are continually hearing about leadership training, and especially so when the new year of the Woman's Society brings an Officers' Training Day and the facing of new tasks by many women. Dr. Roy L. Smith has recently gathered together. under the title, *Your Problem Is You,* fifty-six "lessons" that hold much for each of us in our contacts with other people and introspection of ourselves.

For the timid and unsure comes Dr. Smith's assurance, "You Are Somebody—You Are Important": the assurance that, made in the image of God, each of us *counts.* There is an analysis of what constitutes spiritual maturity, and of the need to submit to the disciplines of our task, always with the certainty that for one who is determined to know the will of God, strength and light will be granted when the moment for decision and action is at hand.

A fuller realization of the nature of prayer comes through Dr. Smith's practical approach. Prayer is not "talking God into something." "The most effective praying is not that which besieges God, but that which harmonizes our own desires with the will of God."

In our quadrennial emphases we are stressing spiritual growth and also a World Church which shall radiate the spirit of the early Christian church. In "The Tests of Spirituality" (page 77) are ten pointed questions which closely relate these two emphases. And when it comes to spiritual growth, it is reassuring to consider that "Each Person Has His Own Experience," which lesson can also be an aid as we engage in the total church program of evangelism.

Frequently we refer to the moving populations of today and our Society's opportunity in caring for them. Many of us are, or will be at some time, part of these moving populations. For such, Dr. Smith's lesson on "How to Attend a Strange Church" speaks with directness from a fresh new angle.

Most of the fifty-six lessons that make up this book are selected from the series of "Little Lessons in Spiritual Efficiency" that have appeared each week for many years in *The Christian Advocate.*

The Woman's Society of Christian Service, Nome, Alaska

Conference Exchange

LOST AND FOUND DEPARTMENT

LOST: Leader of the Alexander City zone. Rich rewards will come to any woman who will assume this responsibility. ("Responsibility, Your response plus God's Ability.")

LOST: Mrs. C. O. Westbrook, vice-president; Mrs. Mary Jym Hart, secretary of Children's Work; Mrs. Tom Still, recording secretary, have resigned.

FOUND: Mrs. Ben Handley, Roanoke, and Mrs. Ben Head, Wedowee, to take first two positions listed above, respectively.

FOUND: One new Wesleyan Service Guild at Camp Hill.

Roanoke District, North Alabama Conference

SIX HUNDRED PERCENT—AND HOW

From 16 pledges to 97, in less than three years' time

Clarks Green, Pennsylvania, Woman's Society of Christian Service had only sixteen members pledging in 1950-1951. They have increased this, to date, by over 600 per cent. How did they do it?

"We were deeply concerned," writes the chairman of the Committee on Membership, "and felt that something must be done, and done quickly. After thinking it through very carefully we selected sixteen women as a committee, and went to work. We sent copies of a general letter together with a pledge card to every woman belonging to or attending our church. In a few days we made our follow-up calls and much to our surprise we were greeted with smiles and encouragement.

"Today we have a membership of one hundred and five women, with ninety-seven pledges totaling five hundred and twenty-three dollars. We put on our drive in September when we know vacations are over."

This is the letter which they sent:

Dear ————

The Woman's Society of Christian Service is making an all-out effort to enroll every woman who attends or belongs to the Clarks Green Methodist Church, for service in 1950-1951.

We have made extensive plans for this year's work and with your cooperation we shall move forward in fulfilling our obligation to Church and Community.

In a few days a member of the Society will call at your home to pick up the membership card which we ask you to fill out according to your pleasure.

Signed: Membership Committee
Mrs. Frank Berry, *Chairman*
225 Fairview Road, Clarks Green, Pennsylvania

THE HOME CULTIVATION CIRCLE

As Told by its Chairman

This is the first year that Trinity Woman's Society of Christian Service has had a Home Cultivation Circle. I have twenty-one members in the group of shut-ins—some for age, some because of sickness, some mothers with little children. This group has a tendency to feel a little neglected by the church people.

Last June at the beginning of the year, I visited each one, giving them each a piggy bank and a leaflet—*"Oh Yes, You Can."* I told them I would be back in three months for the bank, and sooner if they needed me.

One lady gets to church very little. I don't think she belongs to any of the women's organizations. When I went to get her bank, she said, "It's a good thing you came—I cannot get another cent in it"; and that was true. I almost had to break the bank to get the money out—there was $3.60 in it.

I have one man who is a member. When his wife passed away he said, "May I keep the bank and put some in it?" I said, surely he might, so every Sunday morning when he puts his money in his church envelope, he puts a quarter in my bank. He always has from $2.00 to $3.00 when I call for it.

Then there are some who only have a few pennies in their banks, but I don't mind. I say "Thank you" just as if there were a dollar or two.

You see why I named this the Home *Cultivation* Circle: some do need cultivating. I never make money the important item.

Since I have seen the birthday *Prayer Calendar,* I'm sending each one a birthday card. If their birthday is past, I send a belated one; but anyway I always ask if they will take those missionaries whose birthday falls on their day, and pray for them and for their work.

Last fall we made a name quilt. I gave each member a block and asked each of them to get ten names and ten dimes. One of the older ladies said, "You know, I can't. I never leave the house." But she filled two or three blocks. Some embroidered the names, others sewed the strips together. They are thrilled to know they have an active part in the church.

The Society did not ask this circle for a pledge, for they didn't know what we could do—nor did we. *I think by the last of May we will be turning in $250.00.*

(From a Society in the Knoxville District, Holston Conference.)

Conference Exchange

DEDICATION TO ACTION

A creative pageant depicting minority groups in this country and how the Church and the United Nations are aiding them, was the concluding feature of the study course on Home Missions and Human Rights conducted by the Syracuse District Woman's Society of Christian Service on four Tuesday evenings last fall. The sessions were held at Furman Methodist Church with Mrs. Barber L. Waters, wife of the pastor and past president of the Northern New York Conference Woman's Society of Christian Service, as instructor.

Individuals and church societies were asked to choose some one minority or underprivileged group in America upon which they would put outside study and research, and write a pageant part for a character or characters who would represent that group. The actors came appropriately costumed, and their parts were woven together with a framework developed by the instructor. Among the cast of twenty-two persons, there were represented the American Indian, Mountaineer, Negro, Oriental, people on the move, physically handicapped, Puerto Ricans, Alaskans, United Nations, and Woman's Society of Christian Service.

The closing candle-lighting ceremony emphasized a personal dedication to SERVICE. Each person was given a white paper cross upon which to write one definite thing that she would try to do as a result of her study in the course. At the front of the room was an altar with the cross and open Bible in the center and lighted candles on either side. Behind the altar was a large picture of the Good Shepherd.

The ceremony consisted in part of the singing of "O Master, Let Me Walk With Thee," No. 259, and a story, "Ten Cents and a Dream," from *HOW*. Soft music was played while the crosses were being signed. The leader read the hymn, "Dear Master in Whose Life I See," No. 376, following which the signed crosses were brought to the front by representatives from each group, and placed in the open Bible on the altar. While soft music was again played, those at the front lighted small candles from the large altar candles, and formed a lighted cross through the center of the seated group.

The accompanying picture shows some of the group representatives.

(Left to right) **Mrs. Carl DeZeeuw, Mrs. Barber L. Waters, instructor, Mrs. Leslie Borland, Miss Frances Brown, registrar, and Mrs. H. Neil Richardson of Syracuse District, Northern New York Conference**

ROCK RIVER CONFERENCE YOUTH SAFARI

The idea of Planned Tours, to visit the work of The Methodist Church and the Woman's Division, is meeting with an eager response. The Rock River Conference reports great success in its Youth Safari, planned by the secretaries of Youth Work of the conference and districts and the conference secretary of Missionary Personnel.

The girls met at the Chicago Temple at 9:00 o'clock on a Saturday morning, where three chartered buses were awaiting them. They visited Halsted Street Institutional Church, Marcy Center, the Lake Bluff Orphanage—passing Garrett Biblical Institute en route—and Peek Home at Polo, Illinois. At Peek Home they had a campfire with hot-dog roast, followed by singing and devotions. The girls were entertained overnight in the homes of Woman's Society of Christian Service members in Polo, and had breakfast at the White Pines State Park.

On Sunday morning they returned to the Chicago Temple, where they attended church and had a tour of the Temple with its "highest cross in the world" and new Sky Chapel. They had dinner at a restaurant in the Chicago "Loop."

The girls had a wonderful time and were much impressed with the work being done for others, by our Methodist Church. The cost was $8.50 per girl.

There were 150 girls on the Safari, a number that far surpassed expectations. Their enthusiasm has been contagious and the women of the conference are eager to have a similar tour.

If any other group is interested, Rock River will gladly answer their inquiries.

(Reported by Mrs. E. A. Roberts, secretary of Youth Work, Rock River Conference)

A Marching Sound—II

By MARIETTA MANSFIELD

I hear a marching sound—the footfalls of a village man, a new Christian advancing in the quality of his Christian experience. I can hear his footfalls now as I heard them coming to my house six years ago bringing his only daughter, for me to put her into boarding school. He came saying, "I want my child to grow up a real Christian, strong in the faith."

Pushba was a lovely little girl of about seven years of age. She was fragile in appearance, like a delicate orchid. We—this little girl, her father, and I—stood in the path by the rose garden. He told me of fleeing from West Punjab into Uttar Pradesh and of the strangeness of the country, of how he and his family felt—strangers in a strange land. He told me of how he had become a Christian the year before and how happy he was in this new fellowship. As we stood talking, the little daughter went over to a rose bush and stood admiring a half-open rose. She looked up at me, smiling from the depths of liquid brown eyes, and said, "The rose is pretty, isn't it?"

While Pushba was at school, her brother and father came in turn, and once in a great while the mother, to sit on the floor of my living room and visit with me. They never came empty handed. Always there was an egg, a handful of peas, a bunch of greens, or a piece of pumpkin. How could I repay this generosity? My mother had never returned a neighbor's basket, pail, or pan, empty. "It must not go back without some little token," she would say. Now I was in India. These friends cannot return empty handed, I murmured to myself. I must send something special to the mother at home. So I would take the scissors to the rose garden and cut the prettiest roses I had. The years passed, and then one day the mother came. "Miss Sahib, give me a cutting from this beautiful rose bush. I want to plant it by the door of my home in the village." . . .

I hear a marching sound—the footfalls of a twelve-year-old boy as he goes from one child to another teaching in the village school that he himself organized. How well I remember the first time I saw him. I had just arrived, bag and baggage, at the house that was to be my home in the district. He came running with the other children to see the new Miss Sahib. He stood at a safe distance looking at me with large wondering eyes. Hari Lal was about seven years of age. He was just old enough to be curious. With the passing of time, he got a bit bolder. He used to come up to me while I was reading Hindi with the village schoolmaster.

"What are you doing?" he would ask.

"Reading. This book is telling me a story," I would reply.

"Where did you learn to read?"

"In school, when I was a little girl," I would answer.

"I want to go to school," he would say. But, alas, Hari Lal's parents, especially the mother, would not permit it. For two years I pleaded for Hari Lal, and Hari Lal pleaded for himself.

At last we had won. Hari Lal was in school.

I went often to visit Hari Lal and the ten other children whom I had chosen from various villages and put into boarding school. One day he came up to me. "Miss Sahib, I want a New Testament." A way was provided for this small boy who had been in school for less than one semester to earn money for the Book he wanted. When I went to the school to visit the children, I was often asked to speak in the chapel. Always I tried to inspire them to share what they learned with their own people back in their home villages. One day, Hari Lal stood up and read from his New Testament words of the Master. Folding his hands he prayed, "O Lord, help me to take every opportunity to learn so that I can return to my people to teach them. Amen."

For two full years he went to school, during which time I left India for my furlough in America. July came, and with it the opening of school. A letter came to me from India, saying, "Hari Lal did not come back to school. He was needed at home to graze the buffalo." My heart went as heavy as lead. I thought again and again, "If I had been there, surely I could have persuaded his parents. He must return to school." But I was in America.

Each of the letters that followed brought the same news: "Hari Lal has not come back yet." I could not get away from the thought of Hari Lal. Then one cold November day I stood in the street looking at the letter I was holding. It was another letter from India. My fingers trembled as I then quickly tore open the letter and began to read. "Hari Lal who was needed to stay at home to mind the buffalo was found in his village teaching a little school." Again and again I reread those words. They were music in my ears. He had gathered a group of children around him and was teaching them hymns, the Lord's Prayer, and passages from the New Testament he so much loved. "When I have taught you all that is possible for me to teach, I am going to send you to Ingraham Institute, for there is where I learned all I know."

I hear a marching sound. . . .

SUMMER 1953

WORLD FRIENDSHIP BULLETIN

EDITED BY RUBY VAN HOOSER

Secretary of Children's Work

TO BOYS AND GIRLS IN THE OKLAHOMA INDIAN MISSION, THE SUMMER MONTHS BRING HAPPY EXPERIENCES OF WORK AND PLAY

FOR CHILDREN'S WORK

METHODIST CHILDREN WILL LEARN ABOUT THEIR CHURCH AT WORK DURING THE SUMMER QUARTER

SERVING AMERICAN INDIANS

To many boys and girls in The Methodist Church, the summer program will offer opportunities in various ways to show their deep interest in the work among the American Indians with which they have become acquainted during the current year. Some groups of children will continue this study in the vacation months, and will discover how ministers, deaconesses, and teachers of children and youth present the Christian message to the people whom they love and serve.

Vacation School a Joyous Experience

One of the deaconesses at work in the Indian Mission of Oklahoma describes the adventures that Indian children coming from far and near had in a vacation church school. These experiences are characteristic of those that boys and girls of other Indian groups also enjoy.

Miss Evelyn Green writes: "Early morning and a car horn sounded three or four times. We looked up from breakfast in time to see the truck used to carry the church members disappear around the bend in the road. We hurried through breakfast as we knew that the truck would be returning from the hills with a load of eager children ready to begin the long anticipated Bible school.

"The teachers busied themselves with the placing of pictures and charts on the walls, and numerous items needed for class work on the tables. We were going to study 'Our Daily Bread.'

"About ten o'clock the children arrived from many places in the hills. They quickly gathered in the church—children in the front rows and the parents in the back—all waiting eagerly.

"An Indian lady, the district director of children's work, was in charge of the school; she welcomed everyone and told the children about the many interesting activities they would be undertaking during the week—the making of bread and churning of butter.

"The week passed quickly as the classes worked on posters, planted beans and watched them grow, made exhibits, worked on informal dramas and learned many new games and songs about 'Our Daily Bread.' The kindergarten class was the center of interest as they sat on the floor around their teachers and listened to the Bible stories, sang songs, or made attractive pictures to take home. Not the least in the program was the afternoon snack of cool ade and crackers or cookies.

"The children not only learned how God gives us our daily bread and cares for us, but they were taught to give to others. A project of sharing with the Indian boys and girls in Louisiana and the children in Korea was prompted through discussions, posters, and an offering cup covered with a colorful bread wrapper. We tried to be loving and kind to all as Jesus was.

"The last day of school each class shared with other classes what it had learned. It had been a happy week for all."

MEDICAL WORK IN AFRICA

If boys and girls, who study about Africa during the vacation months, could visit a mission station in the Belgian Congo, they would see the many ways in which the doctor and nurses minister to the people. Of the medical work at Minga, Dr. W. S. Hughlett writes:

"The work in the out-village dispensaries is a kind of miniature of the work done in the station clinic. With occasional supervisory visits, the dispensary is carried on by one of the nurses' aides we have trained in our hospital school. We like so to arrange these dispensaries that there is a church, a school, and a dispensary in the same village, working as a center or unit on this threefold ministry in Christ's behalf. The children coming in to the school can be cared for when they are sick; people will come in from the area around for help at the dispensary. Once when we made a regular medical inspection trip to the dispensary, we were proud and happy to find there were special meetings being held, and that the nurse's aide and the teacher were taking turns with the minister in preaching to the people.

Helping the Lepers

"We have about two hundred and seventy leprosy patients in a colony a mile or so from Minga station. We try to make them feel they are citizens like everyone else and not outcasts. They have their small farming areas, a school for young and old (for those grownups who want to come) where they can learn to read and write, as well as sewing for the women, and other things helpful for their living, and where they have a church, a carpenter shop, and, of course, a dispensary. We have a tribunal that helps us greatly in settling disputes and keeping order in the village. The families have their own native houses of mud or adobe and grass roofs, with a separate smaller building for a kitchen. Rain water collected from the church roof runs into a big reservoir on the top of the hill, with pipes running to faucets further down. In the dry season the stronger patients go far down into a ravine to get their water.

"You would be greatly affected by the sight of many of these patients. As a rule they keep remarkably cheerful, and many are responding well to the modern treatments. Some are being dismissed from the colony because they are well."

PLANNING FOR CHILDREN IN THE LOCAL CHURCH

CONGO CHILDREN'S SONG [1]

Solo: First we go to hoe our garden,
All: Ya, ya, ya, ya.
Solo: Next we carry jugs of water,
All: Ya, ya, ya, ya.
Solo: Then we pound the yellow corn,
All: Ya, ya, ya, ya.
Solo: Then we stir our pots of mush,
All: Ya, ya, ya, ya.
Solo: Now we eat—come, gather round the camp-fire,
All: Ya, ya, ya, ya.

[1] From *The Whole World Singing*, by Edith Lovell Thomas. Used by permission of Friendship Press.

THE SUMMER PROGRAM

To thousands of Methodist children in communities throughout the country, the summer plans of their church are assuming increasing importance. It is a time when the leaders of boys and girls, including the secretary of Children's Work, will wish to look again at the real needs and the definite interests of the children, and to think together of the possibilities for guiding them in Christian growth that the vacation months especially bring. It is on this basis that plans should then be made for the regular sessions of the church school and activities chosen for the vacation school. Other activities that meet the needs of the children may be carried on in weekday sessions, in day camps, story hours, hobby groups, hikes, and picnics.

As secretaries of Children's Work take part in the summer plans for their local church, they will wish to try to:

Understand better the children whom they teach.
Become acquainted with the parents and home life of the children.
Grow in skill as Christian teachers of children.
Draw into the fellowship of the church unreached children.

For Parents and Teachers

Teachers visiting this summer in the homes of church-school children will be glad to learn of a new series of eight leaflets for parents that has been prepared by the Department of the Christian Family in cooperation with the Department of Christian Education of Children of the General Board of Education. Each is designed to answer many questions about the Christian training of children that parents are asking. The price is 20 cents a dozen or $1.00 a hundred for any leaflet or an assortment. They should be ordered from the Service Department, Board of Education, Box 871, Nashville, Tennessee. The leaflets are:

Parents—Teachers of Religion—in the Home
Teaching Children About God—in the Home
Teaching About Jesus—in the Home
Teaching Children to Make Right Choices—in the Home
Teaching Children About Sex—in the Home
Teaching Children About the Bible—in the Home
Teaching Children About Prayer—in the Home

GIFTS FOR THE WORLD FAMILY

For Children in Korea

The Christian Social Center in the refugee city of Pusan, Korea, is ministering to hundreds of homeless and hungry children in a variety of ways. Miss Mollie E. Townsend writes: "We are carrying on a milk station and clinic, a kindergarten, and regular classes for children who cannot go to school."

Send gifts of $5.00 or more through the treasurer of the Woman's Society for work with children in Korea for Miss Mollie E. Townsend, Miss Thelma Maw, and Miss Florence Piper. These gifts and the ones that follow, unless otherwise indicated, should be sent as *Cash for Supply Work* by the treasurer of the Woman's Society of Christian Service.

For Needs in Africa

Missionaries and African leaders are bringing happiness to the lives of many people through hospitals and clinics, schools and churches.

Send gifts of $3.00, $5.00 or more through the treasurer of the Woman's Society of Christian Service to buy much-needed supplies for work with people in Africa for the following missionaries: Miss Edith Martin, Miss Alice Whitney, R.N., Miss Violet Crandall, Miss Ruth E. Northcott.

For Workers Among American Indians

Deaconesses and home missionaries serve Indian boys and girls in many loving ways. They need supplies for their work in vacation schools, and for other activities in church schools and in home and community life.

Send gifts of $2.00, $3.00, $5.00 or more for supplies for these workers through the treasurer of the Woman's Society of Christian Service: Miss Evelyn Green, Mrs. Charles W. Browne, Reverend W. P. Bass, Mr. and Mrs. James W. Turner.

For Children in Asia and Europe

Among the boys and girls in Korea, India, Pakistan, and other countries there is continued need for milk, food, clothing, and medicine.

Send gifts of money for the Heifer Project, and for other needs of children in Asia and Europe, directly to the Methodist Committee for Overseas Relief, 150 Fifth Avenue, New York 11, New York.

MIXING WORK AND FUN IN PORTUGUESE EAST AFRICA

Dear Boys and Girls: Johane (John) and Eleni (Helen) are twins, two of nine children of our neighbors, Portuguese and Nafu. They were born nine years ago at Kambini on the day Bishop John Springer and his wife Helen came there for annual conference. The parents asked me to name the babies. How would John and Helen do? And so it was.

In the early morning, swinging their hoes, laughing and talking, they run along with mother Nafu to the garden. Last week for several days they joined the rest of the community in the big grasshopper killing. These insects had come in hordes to clean off everything that was green.

After the strenuous battle of the day, the goats must be brought home. Goats can be so provoking when they get lost or spoil other people's fields. But what boy is not proud of his flock?

Eleni is very helpful with the baby tending. However, the boys take turns, too. A stick thrust through a gourd partly filled with hard seeds makes an effective rattle. This instrument serves well the rhythm-making delight of the baby tender.

Keeping the birds from stealing the rice and millet crop is an excellent way for learning to invent a variety of yells, songs, whistles, and other kinds of noises.

This work of keeping the birds from the rice and millet is light but tedious. Noise-making as a job to which one must strictly attend may not be as interesting as noise-making as a diversion.

The nyendla is a very large insect with a fat body, horny-looking back, and big wings. He gives the children an evening of play. With torches they hunt the holes beside which the nyendla sit singing (with their wings). The daytime hunt provides field mice and bullheads.

So, you see, God provides work and fun for His children.

Your missionary friend,

EDITH RIGGS GILLETT.

CALENDAR FOR SECRETARIES

Cooperate in Vacation Church School.

Attend Officers' Training Day of the Woman's Society.

Present Children's Work to Woman's Society.

Attend Conference School for Children's Workers.

MITTEN TREES STILL IN BLOOM

Children in many church schools may wish once again to trim a Mitten Tree this summer for their friends in other countries where the winter weather is very cold.

For information write for *Mitten Yarns,* price, 10 cents, from Education Materials for Children, 20 South 12th Street, Philadelphia 7, Pennsylvania.

FOR VACATION CHURCH SCHOOL

Among the units of study that are offered for use in the vacation church schools this summer, there are several possibilities that relate to the current missionary emphases on "Africa," and "American Indians and Human Rights."

In churches that desire missionary units, leaders should select a unit on the emphasis that was not studied in additional sessions for missionary education in 1952-53. The following are recommended:

For Primaries:

*Mpengo of the Congo,** by Grace W. McGavran. This story of a boy reveals the difference between a Christian and a non-Christian village. It shows how a family may help others to learn the Christian way of life. $1.25.

*A Primary Teacher's Guide on Africa,** by Armilda B. Keiser. Suggestions for ten sessions based on *Mpengo of the Congo.* 50 cents.

*The Gray Eyes Family,** by Edith J. Agnew. This story of a Navajo family will acquaint the children with life on the reservation and problems of the Navajos. $1.25.

*A Primary Teacher's Guide on American Indians and Human Rights,** by Edith J. Agnew. A ten-session unit with suggestions for study, worship, and sharing. To be used with *The Gray Eyes Family.* 50 cents.

For Juniors:

*Nyanga's Two Villages,** by Esma Rideout Booth. Story of a boy in Angola portrays life in two kinds of villages and the conflict between the Christian way and that of his grandfather. $1.25.

*A Junior Teacher's Guide on Africa,** by Muriel Beaton Patterson. Suggestions for a ten-session unit based on *Nyanga's Two Villages.* 50 cents.

*Yakima Boy,** by Grace W. McGavran. Story of two Yakima Indian boys. Benny attends a mission school. Lester is encouraged to follow the old tribal ways. The story shows how both learn to accept the Christian way. $1.25.

*A Junior Teacher's Guide on American Indians and Human Rights,** by Emily Ellis. A ten-session unit with suggestions for worship, study, and sharing. To be used with *Yakima Boy.* 50 cents.

* Available from Literature Headquarters, 7820 Reading Road, Cincinnati 37, Ohio; or Distributing Offices.

YOUTH WORK

HELEN L. JOHNSON, *Secretary*

A COMMON PLAN

ON SEPTEMBER, 1951, the General Council of the United Christian Youth Movement, upon the approval of the constituent denominations, adopted the common plan for program areas for youth fellowships. The idea of a common plan came to the UCYM first in the fall of 1949. Thus a period of two years was given for committees to study the matter and for each denomination to consider this in terms of its youth program.

The National Conference of Methodist Youth considered the proposal at their meeting in Denver, Colorado, in August, 1950, and gave their hearty approval. The General Board of Education adopted the plan at a meeting in Chicago, in May, 1951.

This new plan will become effective in The Methodist Church in October, 1953. The Methodist curriculum and all new materials for the Methodist Youth Fellowship are prepared in keeping with the new plan.

The common plan means that the present four commissions of the MYF will be superseded by five new program areas. These areas are:

CHRISTIAN FAITH

Purpose: to help youth grow in Christian faith and life.

CHRISTIAN WITNESS

Purpose: to help youth make known to others the way of Christ by all they say and do.

CHRISTIAN OUTREACH

Purpose: to help youth know and accept their responsibility in the world-wide mission of the church.

CHRISTIAN CITIZENSHIP

Purpose: to help youth understand community needs and, on the basis of Christian convictions, work to meet these needs through personal influence and group action.

CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

Purpose: to help youth experience, in all their relationships, the bond of Christian fellowship which comes from their common faith.

It is important to understand that the term "program areas" will be used, and that the MYF as an organization will no longer have "commissions." (Further information on the program areas will be available in *Handbook of the MYF*, 2355-BC. *Workers With Youth* will carry articles on each area.)

The council, made up of the executive officers, program area chairmen, adult advisers, and the adult counselor, will plan in terms of the total youth program. This group will integrate the interests of the various program areas. They also will assign responsibilities in the program areas. This is another step toward a balanced program designed to meet the basic needs and interests of the MYF in the local church.

A youth chairman and an adult adviser should be elected for each of the program areas. They will serve with various short-term committees chosen as needed. The chairman of each program area will be a member of the youth council.

Since the secretary of Youth Work in many situations has served as the adviser in missions and world friendship, it is probable that she will be asked to serve as the adult adviser in the program area of Christian Outreach. (The plan for the election of the secretary of Youth Work will continue as noted on pages 19 and 20 in *A Guide for the Woman's Society of Christian Service.**)

"It may be well to emphasize again the role of the adult adviser in a program area. He will be chosen to serve as adviser for one year and will be a member of the youth council along with the youth chairman. The council is the group to think in terms of a total program, to decide upon responsibilities, and assign responsibilities in the various program areas. It then becomes the duty of the youth chairman and the adult adviser to work on the responsibilities assigned by the council. They will carry out their assignments through committees which they or the council will select." [1]

Summer agencies will provide many opportunities for training in this new plan. Youth will find these opportunities in institutes, assemblies, jurisdictional and regional workshops and conferences. Secretaries of Youth Work will participate in clinics on youth work in the jurisdiction and conference Schools of Missions and Christian Service.

The Methodist curriculum is being prepared in line with this new plan. Study materials for morning classes and resources for evening meetings will deal with the several program areas.

The common plan for program areas offers the youth groups of the many denominations in the United Christian Youth Movement a sense of spiritual fellowship in speaking the same language and in striving toward the same big objectives.

"Some may ask why we are changing to a new plan. That's a good question, and there is a good answer, too. Our growing understanding of interdenominational cooperation leads us to recognize that although we are not working for one Church in the organic or physical sense, we are working for it in a spiritual sense." [1]

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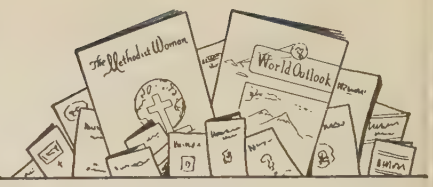

June Jingles

June is "bustin' out all over!" So they sang in "Carousel." We follow this lead by bringing some songs this month for we are bursting with pride in the fine articles and helps which appear in THE METHODIST WOMAN and WORLD OUTLOOK.

June 1 is "International Shut-Ins" day. What better gift can you give to a shut-in friend than a combination subscription to THE METHODIST WOMAN and WORLD OUTLOOK. After the Woman's Society meeting, telephone your shut-in friend and tell her that you have subscribed to the magazines for her.

The photograph on this page was used to illustrate the very delightful song which appears under the caption "METHODIST WOMAN." The song was written by Mrs. A. L. Robbins, of Jackson, Tennessee, and used for a most attractive presentation in her local Woman's Society of Christian Service. The song is written to be sung to the tune of "Little Old Lady," music by Stanley Adams, published by Chappell and Company, R. K. O. Building, Rockefeller Center, New York, New York.

METHODIST WOMAN

BY KATHRYN ROBBINS

First Refrain:

Methodist woman, passing by
See the lovelight in her eye!
You are such a busy woman, tell me why?
Little old bonnet made so gay
Showing lands far away
You're a lovely picture
In your paper dress array,
Little bit of China here
Little bit of Borneo there;
Guess that you've been circle meeting
All around the square.
Methodist woman, you are smart,
Wear the world on your heart—
You're just like that Methodist woman
I would like to be.

Stanza:

Back in seventeen-sixty-eight
With Ladies' Aid so sedate,
Guess you were the fav'rite lady star.

Credit: Mrs. J. Pat Bailey of Jackson, Tennessee, made the costume.

Now we know the reason why
You have a lovelight in your eye
'Cause you're such a pretty patch of print.
With your dress of magazines
You are chic as in your teens—
Guess that you do pretty well in your Society.

Second Refrain:

Methodist woman, what a hat!
World Outlook, all of that?
We are glad you dress yourself in latest style;
Methodist Woman, World Outlook
And your purse, a study book.
Our Mrs. Brooks and Arrington
Are feathers for your hat,
Little bit of Africa
Little bit of old Japan,
Guess you are the smartest one in every circle plan.
Methodist woman, so polite
Take your bow, that's all right—
You deserve a president's place in my Society. . . .

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Two Other Songs

***Tune:* "Beautiful Dreamer"**

THE METHODIST WOMAN and WORLD OUTLOOK
Are like the chapters of a book,
It takes them both to make you wise
And keep your I.Q. on the rise.
So step right up and pay the cost,
Two dollars thirty and nothing lost.
So read them now just like a book
And you will have that glowing look.

***Tune:* "There Are Smiles"**

What is THE METHODIST WOMAN?
It's a paper never late,
It is finest printed matter
And it's always up to date.
It's information on the line;
It's inspiration all the time;
So get acquainted with it, DO
If you'll read 'twill help you too.

July-August Issue

The July-August issue of THE METHODIST WOMAN will be mailed the last of July as last year. Many favorable comments were received concerning this procedure; therefore, we are repeating. Watch the July-August issue for "Operations Combination."

The World's Student Christian Federation Conferences

(Continued from page 6)

examine the Christian witness and just how a Christian expresses his faith. Here also evangelism is interpreted, and it is surprising how students of different nations report what they do in direct evangelistic work.

The World's Student Christian Federation has a political commission. This commission probably has the hardest work to do in the General Committee. There are no Communists in the Federation, but there are Christians who face it very directly in some of the universities of the world. Therefore, they are called upon to express what they believe in terms of constructive political behavior in a manner that will most effectively interpret Christian ideals. The report of "Our Citizenship in the World of Nations" was most excellent.

A new area of study was opened this year and the writer was chairman of the Commission on Our Pastoral Needs as Students. It is a deliberate attempt to develop on an international scale a down-to-earth program of practical pastoral work for the religious needs of students.

The World's Student Christian Federation also is seeking to do a specialized piece of work in the university life of the nations of the world. This means a re-examination of the nature and purpose of the college or university. It also requires an answer to the question, what is the place and work of the Christian student in the university and what is the distinctive place and work of the student Christian work?

There are some who think that the World's Student Christian Federation conferences are heavy with theology. In certain respects this is true. However, theology implies religious experience, and if religious experience is to be sound it must have solid reasons for faith.

The greatest contribution of the World's Student Christian Federation in these meetings is its discipline of prayer and fellowship. Students who are fortunate enough to have a part in these conferences have their religious experience deepened, their faith strengthened, and their spirit lifted.

In a very unique manner they rediscover the Lordship of Jesus Christ and the power of Christian fellowship in the world-wide Church.

1953 METHODIST SERVICE PROJECTS

This booklet is Methodism's basic manual of vocational information. It is standard equipment for all counselors and youth workers including pastors, teachers, secretaries of Missionary Personnel, Youth Work, and Student Work.

In addition to the descriptions of the many and varied vocational opportunities in The Methodist Church, the booklet contains a statement on the philosophy of Christian vocation, a description of summer and short-term service opportunities, a statement on the requirements of the Selective Service Law and church vocations, a bibliography of resource materials, and a directory of the personnel officers of The Methodist Church.

The booklet may be obtained free of charge from the Interboard Committee on Christian Vocations, Box 871, Nashville 2, Tennessee.

A Conference Worth Holding

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and the rest of the world. Mrs. Alfredo Nañéz traced the history and work of the Spanish-speaking churches in the Southwest and emphasized the need for integration.

The last message was brought by Dr. James K. Mathews, executive secretary of the Division of World Missions of the Board of Missions on the subject of "World Missions and the Church Universal." He also led the conference in a closing service of commitment.

The women will long remember the music of those days. The hymn singing led by Miss Ruth Harris was inspiring, and the solos by Miss Evelyn McGarrity were truly messages in song.

The days ahead will prove the statement made by Mrs. Brooks:

A conference worth holding makes a difference in the lives of its participants after they leave the meeting: in changed knowledge, changed attitudes, changed conduct, and changed techniques.

ATTENDANCE

87	**conference secretaries of Missionary Education and Service**
26	**jurisdiction officers—most of them secretaries of Home Work, Foreign Work, and Missionary Education**
12	**district officers***
16	**local women***
18	**Woman's Division representatives**
32	**Woman's Division staff**
42	**workers**
10	**guest speakers and leaders**
5	**others**
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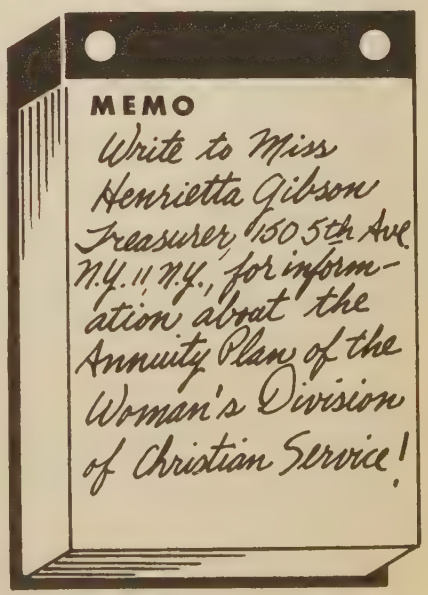
MEMO
Write to Miss Henrietta Gibson Treasurer, 150 5th Ave. N.Y. 11 N.Y., for information about the Annuity Plan of the Woman's Division of Christian Service!

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WOMAN'S DIVISION OF CHRISTIAN SERVICE—BOAR

Henrietta Gibso

Jurisdiction	CONFERENCE INCOME ON APPROPRIATIONS BY DEPARTMENTS						
	Adult	W.S.G.	Paid on Pledge 1952-53	Total Pledged 1952-53	Youth	Children	Total on Appropriatio 1952-53
Central:							
Atlanta	$ 696.82	$ 95.45	$ 792.27	$ 1,842.00	$ 2.00	$ 6.37	$ 800
Central Alabama	167.40	8.00	175.40	1,000.00	.....	2.00	177
Central West	740.00	133.00	873.00	1,164.00	10.00	25.02	908
Delaware	6,367.97	284.50	6,652.47	8,750.00	454.50	70.73	7,177
East Tennessee	520.15	60.00	580.15	1,900.00	.....	.....	580
Florida	523.00	.....	523.00	900.00	.....	.....	523
Lexington	5,980.00	839.20	6,819.20	6,500.00	205.00	28.50	7,052
Louisiana	977.75	55.25	1,033.00	3,000.00	.....	.....	1,033
Mississippi	795.00	230.00	1,025.00	2,200.00	.....	.....	1,025
North Carolina	1,475.00	55.00	1,530.00	1,850.00	10.00	.....	1,540
Savannah	364.75	.....	364.75	660.00	.....	.....	364
South Carolina	2,621.00	29.00	2,650.00	3,493.00	25.50	3.00	2,678
Southwest	150.00	.....	150.00	700.00	28.00	17.25	195
Tennessee	630.00	65.00	695.00	1,850.00	40.00	25.00	760
Texas	2,128.50	170.75	2,299.25	3,000.00	142.24	19.00	2,460
Upper Mississippi	251.60	4.00	255.60	700.00	14.05	13.55	283
Washington	3,457.87	553.52	4,011.39	6,300.00	235.91	104.50	4,351
West Texas	579.75	129.51	709.26	1,550.00	.....	30.50	739
Total	28,426.56	2,712.18	31,138.74	47,359.00	1,167.20	345.42	32,651
North Central:							
Dakota	19,077.57	505.50	19,583.07	30,000.00	1,245.30	97.93	20,926
Detroit	75,595.26	2,554.93	78,150.19	129,000.00	3,308.23	356.62	81,815
Illinois	116,555.14	4,630.17	121,185.31	170,000.00	2,407.19	887.54	124,480
Indiana	67,878.22	5,772.12	73,650.34	108,500.00	3,073.00	1,079.82	77,803
Iowa-Des Moines	73,905.55	3,916.23	77,821.78	112,000.00	5,073.89	399.79	83,295
Michigan	54,660.35	2,793.36	57,453.71	98,000.00	2,500.15	518.50	60,472
Minnesota	50,216.16	1,985.29	52,201.45	85,000.00	528.00	289.21	53,018
North Dakota	14,869.14	214.75	15,083.89	30,000.00	94.50	235.75	15,414
North Indiana	74,413.21	3,727.58	78,140.79	148,120.00	4,955.00	997.81	84,093
North-East Ohio	132,225.65	6,239.15	138,464.80	213,621.00	4,704.24	1,439.43	144,608
Northwest Indiana	34,936.81	1,079.86	36,016.67	74,000.00	2,270.67	418.23	38,705
North Iowa	83,849.47	2,409.07	86,258.54	145,700.00	4,399.77	681.23	91,339
Ohio	165,866.98	7,323.82	173,190.80	275,000.00	7,904.50	2,067.21	183,162
Rock River	116,748.52	6,069.14	122,817.66	181,226.00	2,287.00	503.22	125,607
Southern Illinois	33,587.65	4,678.73	38,266.38	52,000.00	1,816.96	598.62	40,681
West Wisconsin	18,474.21	527.34	19,001.55	34,700.00	896.62	67.75	19,965
Wisconsin	32,316.38	1,032.18	33,348.56	49,800.00	902.30	67.44	34,318
Total	1,165,176.27	55,459.22	1,220,635.49	1,936,667.00	48,367.32	10,706.10	1,279,708
Northeastern:							
Baltimore	78,955.74	2,463.57	81,419.31	118,000.00	1,081.62	198.72	82,699
Central New York	36,927.23	882.00	37,809.23	52,000.00	781.50	113.40	38,704
Central Pennsylvania	35,026.12	687.75	35,713.87	52,000.00	870.35	188.77	36,772
Erie	45,102.01	619.26	45,721.27	78,000.00	1,246.71	376.42	47,344
Genesee	37,204.70	935.33	38,140.03	65,000.00	710.50	50.17	38,900
Maine	6,708.50	97.50	6,806.00	9,200.00	152.46	10.60	6,969
Newark	46,569.23	1,693.50	48,262.73	67,800.00	383.60	193.92	48,840
New England	21,165.30	203.30	21,368.60	38,000.00	544.05	115.43	22,028
New England Southern	12,445.65	.....	12,445.65	24,000.00	411.42	.....	12,857
New Hampshire	4,581.01	350.00	4,931.01	7,820.00	33.12	8.05	4,972
New Jersey	34,087.12	944.50	35,031.62	52,000.00	1,528.29	353.71	36,913
New York	22,751.69	1,991.00	24,742.69	40,000.00	116.20	79.46	24,938
New York East	39,253.35	1,686.49	40,939.84	55,500.00	733.63	239.71	41,913
Northern New York	17,028.67	353.91	17,382.58	31,000.00	261.68	64.64	17,708
Pensinsula	34,446.33	93.60	34,539.93	41,000.00	1,586.50	145.02	36,271
Philadelphia	47,479.86	3,548.34	51,028.20	80,000.00	776.34	289.22	52,093
Pittsburgh	75,586.38	1,330.37	76,916.75	95,000.00	1,788.76	753.12	79,458
Troy	35,068.18	896.80	35,964.98	56,000.00	373.32	55.00	36,393
West Virginia	86,675.15	5,837.82	92,512.97	121,000.00	3,911.34	386.66	96,810
Wyoming	38,904.62	674.76	39,579.38	50,000.00	1,715.50	111.70	41,406
Puerto Rico Provisional	30.00	.....	30.00	30.00	.....	.....	30
Total	755,996.84	25,289.80	781,286.64	1,133,350.00	19,006.89	3,733.72	804,027
South Central:							
Central Kansas	80,911.80	4,278.33	85,190.13	156,828.00	4,135.29	1,133.65	90,459
Central Texas	43,357.49	8,474.93	51,832.42	80,000.00	1,731.92	104.33	53,668
East Oklahoma	34,035.18	3,513.60	37,548.78	65,000.00	1,747.85	132.93	39,429
Indian Mission	820.75	.....	820.75	1,018.00	48.62	25.62	894
Kansas	46,174.83	3,394.70	49,569.53	97,000.00	1,423.58	493.50	51,486
Little Rock	43,854.26	5,091.45	48,945.71	71,500.00	1,696.44	125.35	50,767

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DIVISION OF TOTAL RECEIPTS

General Appropriations	Conference Work	Total on Appropriations 1952-53	Total on Appropriations 1951-52	Week of Prayer (Including W.S.G.)	Cash for Supply Work	Supplementary Gifts	Cultivation ¼ of 1¢ Per Member	Misc.	Total Receipts
$ 800.64		$ 800.64	$ 718.58	$ 36.34	$ 50.00		$ 4.65		$ 891.63
177.40		177.40	664.02	53.55	7.87		3.40		242.22
908.02		908.02	850.95	188.68	32.50		3.78		1,132.98
5,302.72	$ 1,874.98	7,177.70	6,126.50	132.26	67.37		16.00		7,393.33
580.15		580.15	269.50	79.40					659.55
523.00		523.00	469.00	60.67	8.00				591.67
7,052.70		7,052.70	5,712.25	434.26	173.53		13.34		7,673.83
1,033.00		1,033.00	1,067.25	75.84	52.61		5.40		1,166.85
1,025.00		1,025.00	983.93	204.04	54.25		5.00		1,288.29
1,540.00		1,540.00	1,418.00	98.75	20.00		7.00		1,665.75
364.75		364.75	342.00	57.16	89.50				511.41
2,678.50		2,678.50	2,462.60	215.40	97.80		10.50		3,002.20
195.25		195.25	230.09	17.00	48.50	$ 7.00			267.75
760.00		760.00	775.70	55.00	84.00		5.00		904.00
2,460.49		2,460.49	2,419.60	125.00	73.75		7.00		2,666.24
283.20		283.20	196.00	32.00	18.00	15.00	17.00		365.20
4,351.80		4,351.80	4,057.84	605.08	304.18		17.19		5,278.25
739.76		739.76	599.05	156.05	108.75		5.00		1,009.56
30,776.38	1,874.98	32,651.36	29,362.86	2,626.48	1,290.61	22.00	120.26		36,710.71
20,926.30		20,926.30	18,373.95	1,742.01	2,140.90		24.50		24,833.71
78,852.60	2,962.44	81,815.04	77,346.16	4,111.44	9,152.19	2,190.91	93.51	$ 12,092.10	109,455.19
110,530.04	13,950.00	124,480.04	116,699.14	6,841.36	18,399.14	61.95	102.81		149,885.30
75,558.16	2,250.00	77,803.16	74,221.66	5,450.38	5,683.72	581.00	72.10	11,477.45	101,067.81
77,730.49	5,564.97	83,295.46	77,546.44	6,435.16	6,903.19	565.00	105.00		97,303.81
54,132.36	6,340.00	60,472.36	60,630.02	4,165.89	6,773.43	282.38	70.20		71,764.26
52,218.35	800.31	53,018.66	53,274.50	3,805.11	5,815.36	316.83			62,955.96
15,414.14		15,414.14	17,345.13	1,328.05	2,137.10				18,879.29
81,843.60	2,250.00	84,093.60	83,700.60	5,068.98	5,010.98	252.77	72.00	500.00	94,998.33
136,808.53	7,799.94	144,608.47	136,588.59	7,889.43	10,704.77	125.00	126.36	20.00	163,474.03
38,705.57		38,705.57	36,446.59	3,207.60	3,041.03	1,021.07	52.10		46,027.37
87,980.26	3,359.28	91,339.54	81,520.70	6,682.73	8,204.03	400.37	98.83	20.00	106,745.50
182,937.51	225.00	183,162.51	170,396.52	11,955.75	15,309.10	6,096.28	169.55		216,693.19
120,227.88	5,380.00	125,607.88	109,079.86	4,386.33	6,470.61	1,029.93	85.77		137,580.52
39,182.02	1,499.94	40,681.96	39,788.37	4,175.06	6,468.87	1,572.19	25.00		52,923.08
19,965.92		19,965.92	16,793.88	1,926.90	2,042.96	125.00	30.35		24,091.13
34,318.30		34,318.30	28,487.60	2,529.85	3,165.77	130.00	12.05		40,155.97
1,227,327.03	52,381.88	1,279,708.91	1,198,239.71	81,702.03	117,423.15	14,750.68	1,140.13	24,109.55	1,518,834.45
73,024.65	9,675.00	82,699.65	83,580.77	6,825.93	5,995.45	311.20	82.50		95,914.73
38,704.13		38,704.13	39,003.05	1,720.44	2,185.03	75.00	44.00		42,728.60
30,106.35	6,666.64	36,772.99	35,920.38	2,628.69	2,362.15				41,763.83
42,094.43	5,249.97	47,344.40	47,484.53	4,575.80	5,947.86	316.60	47.34	90.50	58,322.50
37,300.70	1,600.00	38,900.70	38,998.99	2,336.59	3,884.55	280.40		10.00	45,412.24
6,641.06	328.00	6,969.06	6,837.10	509.72	282.00				7,760.78
46,140.25	2,700.00	48,840.25	47,939.07	2,432.51	7,013.14	80.00	45.26	760.00	59,171.16
13,178.11	8,849.97	22,028.08	22,183.30	652.06	1,578.99	2,046.27	36.09		26,341.49
9,857.07	3,000.00	12,857.07	14,098.99	785.50	907.43		18.75		14,568.75
4,972.18		4,972.18	4,884.07	222.87	332.39	57.00			5,584.44
32,788.65	4,124.97	36,913.62	31,206.44	2,290.88	2,039.88		45.74		41,290.12
24,938.35		24,938.35	24,650.84	1,356.44	1,649.30	76.00			28,020.09
38,500.68	3,412.50	41,913.18	40,387.63	1,975.57	2,327.72	89.00	41.13		46,346.69
17,708.90		17,708.90	8,051.15	1,114.50	782.15	91.30			19,696.85
31,126.51	5,144.94	36,271.45	34,826.16	2,752.71	2,458.49	496.47			41,979.12
40,693.76	11,400.00	52,093.76	61,511.98	4,405.05	3,347.25	390.16	58.72	100.00	60,394.94
69,033.63	10,425.00	79,458.63	77,793.97	5,631.90	5,184.52	220.00	60.28	120.27	90,675.60
36,393.30		36,393.30	34,908.85	1,977.04	1,563.60	195.00	72.00	45.00	40,245.94
87,585.97	9,225.00	96,810.97	96,150.05	11,625.45	11,111.37	25.00	87.25		119,660.04
37,506.61	3,899.97	41,406.58	41,025.21	1,908.97	2,880.89	33.00	43.54		46,272.98
30.00		30.00				40.00			70.00
718,325.29	85,701.96	804,027.25	791,442.53	57,728.62	63,834.16	4,822.40	682.60	1,125.77	932,220.80
89,990.35	468.72	90,459.07	91,681.76	7,248.75	8,947.12	414.28		20.00	107,089.22
53,668.67		53,668.67	55,513.50	6,912.48	4,374.77	259.52	35.10		65,250.54
39,429.56		39,429.56	40,371.74	4,284.73	7,011.54	41.28	30.42		50,797.53
894.99		894.99	645.09	194.49	99.49		2.68		1,191.65
47,294.95	4,191.66	51,486.61	51,239.64	3,616.55	5,609.41	839.77			61,552.34
50,167.50	600.00	50,767.50	48,982.50	3,687.17	2,850.78	845.78	30.74		58,181.97

FINANCIAL CONFERENCE REPORT FO

WOMAN'S DIVISION OF CHRISTIAN SERVICE—BOARI

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Jurisdiction	CONFERENCE INCOME ON APPROPRIATIONS BY DEPARTMENTS						
	Adult	W.S.G.	Paid on Pledge 1952-53	Tolal Pledged 1952-53	Youth	Children	Total on Appropriatio 1952-53
South Central (Continued):							
Louisiana	$ 49,189.18	$ 7,131.74	$ 56,320.92	$ 91,000.00	$ 2,227.76	$ 170.16	$ 58,718.
Missouri	22,696.01	1,027.86	23,723.87	35,000.00	652.52	212.56	24,588.
Nebraska	72,308.04	3,172.68	75,480.72	136,626.00	1,297.55	223.05	77,001.
New Mexico	18,206.58	3,056.46	21,263.04	25,500.00	876.10	26.78	22,165.
North Arkansas	29,936.50	6,807.56	36,744.06	52,000.00	675.37	93.07	37,512.
North Texas	47,227.43	5,784.91	53,012.34	84,200.00	1,905.46	187.60	55,105.
Northwest Texas	40,958.15	5,571.48	46,529.63	72,000.00	1,804.26	201.07	48,534.
St. Louis	44,627.46	5,674.36	50,301.82	66,683.00	578.76	329.08	51,209.
Rio Grande	413.80	.....	413.80	1,150.00	58.62	12.00	484.
Southwest Missouri	43,524.85	5,046.43	48,571.28	78,000.00	1,032.30	320.22	49,923.
Southwest Texas	58,647.17	8,179.26	66,826.43	95,000.00	3,165.31	391.75	70,383.
Texas	80,889.85	11,298.30	92,188.15	120,000.00	.....	593.08	92,781.
West Oklahoma	44,879.92	5,514.50	50,394.42	84,000.00	2,310.00	184.58	52,889.
Total	802,659.25	93,018.55	895,677.80	1,412,505.00	27,367.71	4,960.38	928,005.
Southeastern:							
Alabama	46,821.69	5,752.75	52,574.44	78,000.00	426.23	138.85	53,139.
Cuba Mission	101.00	.....	101.00	51.00	34.51	.....	135
Florida	85,740.12	8,380.20	94,120.32	95,000.00	4,421.86	265.81	98,807.
Holston	65,307.07	11,797.93	77,105.00	76,705.00	5,303.71	331.11	82,739.
Kentucky	31,110.27	5,175.96	36,286.23	51,000.00	1,384.94	112.04	37,783.
Louisville	29,459.09	3,790.91	33,250.00	50,000.00	648.72	307.69	34,206.
Memphis	42,970.20	9,275.49	52,245.69	69,013.00	1,693.47	213.86	54,153.
Mississippi	29,881.98	6,899.22	36,781.20	60,000.00	1,994.04	122.77	38,898.
North Alabama	50,136.10	8,554.53	58,690.63	70,000.00	3,655.08	191.84	62,537.
North Carolina	70,745.11	7,911.92	78,657.03	90,000.00	3,181.95	769.10	82,608.
North Georgia	77,821.90	17,950.60	95,772.50	131,865.00	2,973.57	744.82	99,490.
North Mississippi	26,878.21	4,693.30	31,571.51	40,000.00	2,777.55	110.98	34,460.
South Carolina	83,698.00	9,302.00	93,000.00	125,000.00	3,892.59	451.35	97,343.
South Georgia	73,135.74	8,047.81	81,183.55	100,000.00	2,079.91	459.73	83,723.
Tennessee	45,177.05	7,973.00	53,150.05	82,000.00	2,915.31	154.62	56,219.
Virginia	116,225.93	10,651.10	126,877.03	150,000.00	7,166.65	491.68	134,535.
Western North Carolina	76,625.21	10,893.08	87,518.29	120,000.00	3,950.12	188.12	91,656.
Total	951,834.67	137,049.80	1,088,884.47	1,388,634.00	48,500.21	5,054.37	1,142,439.
Western:							
Alaska Mission	783.00	.....	783.00	850.00	.....	.....	783.
California-Nevada	57,196.24	4,411.88	61,608.12	84,640.00	1,462.96	137.13	63,208.
California Oriental (dissolved as of May 31, 1952)	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Colorado	27,142.67	2,309.10	29,451.77	45,000.00	723.64	306.51	30,481.
Hawaii Mission	1,018.80	.....	1,018.80	1,400.00	.....	.....	1,018.
Idaho	10,774.06	668.98	11,443.04	14,200.00	251.78	16.81	11,711.
Japanese Provisional	164.39	.....	164.39	50.00	.....	.....	164.
Latin American Provisional	185.00	.....	185.00	230.00	17.54	1.00	203.
Montana	9,086.05	781.46	9,867.51	16,000.00	138.96	112.34	10,118.
Oregon	29,128.24	1,777.98	30,906.22	47,200.00	1,055.99	151.05	32,113.
Pacific Northwest	37,515.17	2,209.67	39,724.84	58,000.00	1,160.68	112.01	40,997.
Southern California-Arizona	143,056.62	6,849.35	149,905.97	220,000.00	2,950.20	431.46	153,287.
Wyoming State	4,158.60	166.40	4,325.00	8,000.00	73.84	4.60	4,403.
Total	320,208.84	19,174.82	339,383.66	495,570.00	7,835.59	1,272.91	348,492.
Total from Conferences	4,024,302.43	332,704.37	4,357,006.80	6,414,085.00	152,244.92	26,072.90	4,535,324.
Other Income for Appropriations:							
Deaconess Pensions	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Enrolled Home Missionary Pension Fund	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Home Missionary and Deaconess Temporary Disability Fund	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Interest Income Allocated from Endowments and Restricted Funds	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Miscellaneous and Gifts for Appropriations	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Student Fund	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Grand Total	$4,024,302.43	$332,704.37	$4,357,006.80	$6,414,085.00	$152,244.92	$26,072.90	$4,535,324.

FIRST NINE MONTHS—1952-53

MISSIONS—THE METHODIST CHURCH

Treasurer

DIVISION OF TOTAL RECEIPTS

General Appropriations	Conference Work	Total on Appropriations 1952-53	Total on Appropriations 1951-52	Week of Prayer (Including W. S. G.)	Cash for Supply Work	Supplementary Gifts	Cultivation ¼ of 1¢ Per Member	Misc.	Total Receipts
58,718.84		$ 58,718.84	$ 60,729.48	$ 6,662.54	$ 7,900.50	$ 88.28	$ 35.44		$ 73,405.60
24,588.95		24,588.95	26,555.37	3,121.39	2,204.82	484.42	29.39		30,428.97
71,601.32	$ 5,400.00	77,001.32	69,684.60	5,598.46	7,102.47	346.28	79.98		90,128.51
22,165.92		22,165.92	20,552.17	3,047.56	4,854.94	21.34	16.53		30,106.29
36,912.50	600.00	37,512.50	38,954.55	4,383.38	2,936.35	38.78	37.77		44,908.78
55,105.40		55,105.40	56,494.63	8,779.44	3,021.86	46.28	41.50	$ 5.00	66,999.48
48,534.96		48,534.96	49,826.70	8,209.23	6,434.37	360.28	33.38		63,572.22
51,209.66		51,209.66	48,625.85	4,220.74	7,306.60	1,240.73	35.07	100.00	64,112.80
484.42		484.42	1,201.74	174.10	151.00		3.75		813.27
49,923.80		49,923.80	47,000.89	5,044.03	6,762.98	359.78	39.83	20.00	62,150.42
70,383.49		70,383.49	62,811.78	10,263.75	8,468.68	1,175.58		36.00	90,327.50
92,781.23		92,781.23	90,592.17	10,035.53	13,838.22	78.53	59.61		116,793.12
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98,807.99		98,807.99	87,403.55	12,147.92	11,679.15	2,136.54	75.00		124,846.60
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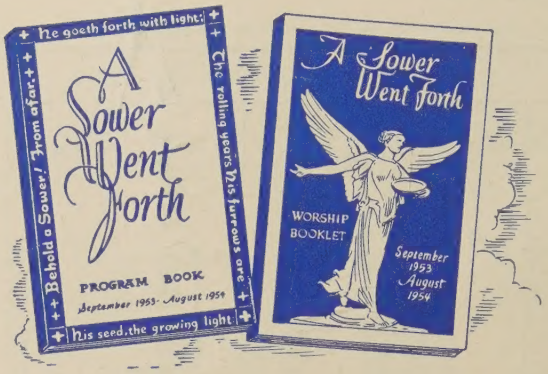
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